

Ousted candidate files again

State party must decide if Samuels-Cooper certified for primary amid disqualification ruling, possible appeal

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A special filing period closed Tuesday for a new primary that will be held, if necessary, for Clarendon County coroner, and it appears those involved are experiencing déjà vu as the same two people who ran in June filed again.

Clarendon County Coroner Bucky Mock and challenger LaNette Samu-



SAMUELS-COOPER

els-Cooper both filed a statement of intent of candidacy and party pledge with Clarendon County Board of Voter Registration and Elections Office.

Mock, who lost to Samuels-Cooper in the original Democratic primary on June 12, filed on Aug. 14, the first day of the special filing period. Sam-

uels-Cooper, who won the Democratic nomination in June but was removed from the ballot in August after a Third Judicial Circuit Court judge ruled she was unqualified to become a corner because of lack of related job experience, filed on Aug. 21, the last day of the special filing period.

The Nov. 6 general election for coroner will determine who will fill the unexpired term of Hayes Samuels Jr.,

Samuels-Cooper's brother, who died in January. Mock, previously a deputy coroner in Clarendon for 21 years, has been serving as coroner since Samuels Jr.'s passing after being appointed by Gov. Henry McMaster the fill the vacancy.

The South Carolina Democratic Party has to certify all candidates running on its ballot.

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DNC says it thwarted attempted hacking

BY BILL BARROW
The Associated Press

CHICAGO — The Democratic National Committee thwarted an attempted hack of its massive voter database, an official said Wednesday, two years after Russian operatives sent the party into disarray by breaking into its computers and facilitating the release of tens of thousands of emails online amid the presidential election.

DNC security contractors notified the party Tuesday that hackers had created a fake login page to gather usernames and passwords in an effort to gain access to the Democratic Party's voter file, a party official said. The file contains information on tens of millions of voters. The attempt was quickly thwarted by suspending the attacker's account, and no information was compromised, the official said. The FBI was notified.

The official wasn't authorized to speak about sensitive security information and spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity.

Government and tech officials say it's too early to know who was behind the attempt. The FBI declined to comment to the AP.

The hacking attempt comes as Democrats gather for their summer meeting. The party's cybersecurity has been an issue since the 2016 presidential election, when Russian hackers compromised DNC servers and publicly revealed internal communications that exploited divisions between Bernie Sanders' and Hillary

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New York subpoenas Cohen in Trump Foundation probe



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Michael Cohen, center, leaves federal court Tuesday in New York. Cohen pleaded guilty to charges including campaign finance fraud stemming from hush money payments to porn actress Stormy Daniels and ex-Playboy model Karen McDougal.



President Donald Trump speaks during a Medal of Honor ceremony for Air Force Tech. Sgt. John A. Chapman, awarded posthumously for conspicuous gallantry, during a ceremony in the East Room of the White House on Wednesday in Washington.

Trump's lawyer implicates him in federal court

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Investigators in New York state have issued a subpoena to Michael Cohen as part of their probe into the Trump Foundation, an official with Democratic Gov. Andrew Cuomo's administration confirmed to The Associated Press on Wednesday.

The subpoena was issued after Cohen's attorney said his client has information of interest to both state and federal prosecutors. As Trump's long-time lawyer and self-described "fixer," Cohen could be a significant source of

information for state investigators looking into whether Trump or his charity broke state law or lied about their tax liability.

"We can confirm that a subpoena has been issued to Michael Cohen for relevant information in light of the public disclosures made [Tuesday]," said James Gazzale, a spokesman for the state's tax department.

If evidence of alleged crimes is found, the matter could be referred to

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WHAT YOUR GOVERNMENT IS DOING: SUMTER CITY COUNCIL

City council vote encourages downtown development

BY ADRIENNE SARVIS
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Sumter City Council approved final reading to authorize the future sale of five downtown properties, gave Sumter Fire Department the go-ahead to purchase two new apparatus for the community and approved first reading of a rezoning request that could allow a father to make his daughter's dream a reality during its meeting on Tuesday.

ORDINANCE TO ENCOURAGE FUTURE DOWNTOWN SUMTER DEVELOPMENTS, INVESTMENTS

Reading: Second and final

Agenda item: An ordinance to authorize the future sale of five city-owned properties located in the Central Business District of the downtown area.

Background: This ordinance will allow the

city to sell properties at 9 S. Main St., 11 S. Main St., 138 S. Main St., 146 S. Main St. and 150 S. Main St. for future development, according to Sumter Downtown Development Manager Howie Owens.

He said the city has seen more than \$5 million in investment on about 18 other properties that were approved for sale in this same way.

This is not a sale of property, but this ordinance authorizes the sale to let it be known they are available, Mayor Joe McElveen said.

Discussion: Councilman Robert Galiano made a motion for approval, and councilman Thomas Lowery seconded.

Vote: Unanimous approval

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Medic provides off-duty care to wreck victims

BY KAYLA ROBINS
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A husband and wife who were injured in a car wreck in Sumter County recently were lucky to find a helping hand from a trained Air Force EMT.

Senior Airman Chris Aubuchon was driving home from Shaw Air Force Base after work around 11 p.m. one night when he noticed a minivan quickly approaching a pickup truck on U.S. 378. He said he saw the minivan rear-end the truck, causing the pickup to hit the median and go air-

borne before spinning and coming to a rest facing the opposite side of traffic.

"I keep an EMT bag with simple first aid bandages, splints, things like that, in my car," Aubuchon said.

The Air Force aerospace medical technician ran to the truck after calling 911 to check on the occupants, where he found the husband and wife awake and alert but suffering from lower-body pain.

"She had her face covered. She didn't want to ruin her makeup, she said," Aubuchon said.

The husband's ankle and the wife's leg were injured, he said.

After checking to make sure they both were aware of their surroundings and not bleeding, Aubuchon started to wrap the wife's leg. Another airman climbed a tree and grabbed a branch they used to splint her leg. Aubuchon made a wire splint for the husband's ankle.

Neither of the injuries were life-threatening, but the comfort in knowing someone was there to help and to begin the first-aid process before first responders arrived was appreciated by the couple, he said.

"The adrenaline was going, but with our training we realize that that's

going to happen. We go into a situation that's maybe not the safest or the most stable area, especially when we have to deploy. But we learn to take a breath, calm down and focus on the task at hand," he said.

Aubuchon said he has always wanted to serve his country.

He said a key aspect of his medical and Air Force training is to learn to improvise.

"First, I wanted to make sure there were no vehicles coming and that the scene was safe," he said. "When I first came up, they were definitely relieved to see someone was there helping."



PHOTO PROVIDED

This video grab shows a suspect putting a cash register drawer into a shopping cart at the Walmart in Manning on Tuesday.

Manning police seek assistance identifying robbery suspect

BY SHARRON HALEY
Special to The Sumter Item

MANNING — Manning Police Department is asking for assistance in identifying a man who walked into the Manning Walmart on Tuesday afternoon, grabbed a cash register drawer and fled the store in 10 minutes.

According to Capt. Sonia Daniels, the man entered the store through the garden center at 4:46 p.m. and purchased a bag of charcoal. Daniels said that according to the store's surveillance video, the man did not go directly to his vehicle but remained in the store's patio area talking on his cellphone. After witnessing the sales associate leave the register to help another customer, she said the man immediately removed the entire drawer from the register and placed it in his buggy. He then placed the bag of charcoal on top of the register drawer and fled the store at 4:56 p.m. He left the parking lot traveling in an unknown direction.

Anyone with information on the robbery or anyone who can identify the individual is asked to call Daniels at (803) 435-8859. Daniels said the caller can remain anonymous.



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From left, retired U.S. Air Force Col. Rick Davis, former F-16 pilot; retired Senior Master Sgt. Daniel Henderson, former dedicated crew chief; Capt. Brian Davis, 55th Fighter Squadron F-16 pilot; and Staff Sgt. Tyler Roecker, 20th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron dedicated crew chief, stand on the flight line at Shaw Air Force Base on Aug 3.

Keeping it in the family: Shaw pilot appointed father's old F-16

BY SENIOR AIRMAN SEAN SWEENEY
20th Fighter Wing Public Affairs
Special to The Sumter Item

An Air Force major walks down the flight line of Canon Air Force Base, New Mexico, making his way toward his F-16CJ Fighting Falcon, aircraft 90830. As he climbs into the cockpit of the jet affectionately known as the Viper, he mentally prepares himself for the mission ahead.

After the canopy lowers, his dedicated crew chief, Staff Sgt. Daniel Henderson, marshals him out, renders a salute and watches the Falcon taxi away.

"I got the F-16 out of pilot training and, at the time, it was fairly new," said retired Air Force Col. Rick Davis. "It was neat because there were a lot of assignments we could get with all of the older Vietnam era aircraft, but I worked hard and wanted the F-16 so bad. I was thrilled when I got it."

Rick flew four different airframes throughout his service but holds one near and dear to his heart.

"The F-16 was my favorite plane that I flew, the block 50 in particular," said Rick. "I just loved it. It was a challenge, and I just really enjoyed it."

Many years later at Nellis AFB, Nevada, the same F-16 flown by then Maj. Rick Davis found another Davis to pilot it: the retiree's son, then 1st Lt. Brian Davis.

Now a captain and 55th Fighter Squadron pilot, Brian said having the opportunity to fly his father's old jet was an experience he would not trade for anything.

Along with having the opportunity to fly in the same bird, the son had the same tactical aircraft maintainer marshal him out.

"It was quite an honor," said retired Senior Master Sgt. Daniel Henderson. "To have the honor of strapping two generations of, not just pilots, but family, in the same seat was amazing. It felt like I was passing on a legacy from one generation to another."

Leaders assigned to the 55th FS decided to take this connection one step further when they appointed Brian his father's old aircraft at Shaw AFB.

"I am honored that they would do that," said Rick Davis. "Seeing Brian's name on (the jet) makes me really proud. I am happy to see it, and I am glad they made it happen."

Having someone's name on the side of an F-16 is more than just vinyl on

the side of an aircraft, but sharing that same jet with family is a very rare occurrence.

"It just makes it real," said Brian Davis. "When you go out to an aircraft and it is your aircraft with your name on it, it is a special feeling. Then you get your dedicated crew chief, there and you form a good relationship, and you know they gave you a safe jet. It is a good feeling."

Having his name on the same F-16 his father flew is just one part of continuing his family's legacy of defending freedom.

"The Wild Weasel and suppression of enemy air defense mission is incredible," said Rick Davis. "He didn't know it, but his grandfather also flew the SEAD mission. They had just started that back in Vietnam with the F-100F (Super Sabre). It is kind of cool to keep it in the family with the (Wild Weasel) patch."

Today, as aircraft 90830 lands at Shaw AFB and taxis back to its parking spot, a dedicated crew chief marshals the pilot and aircraft to a halt.

When the canopy rises and a pilot climbs out of the cockpit to greet his dedicated crew chief, this time it is Capt. Brian Davis.

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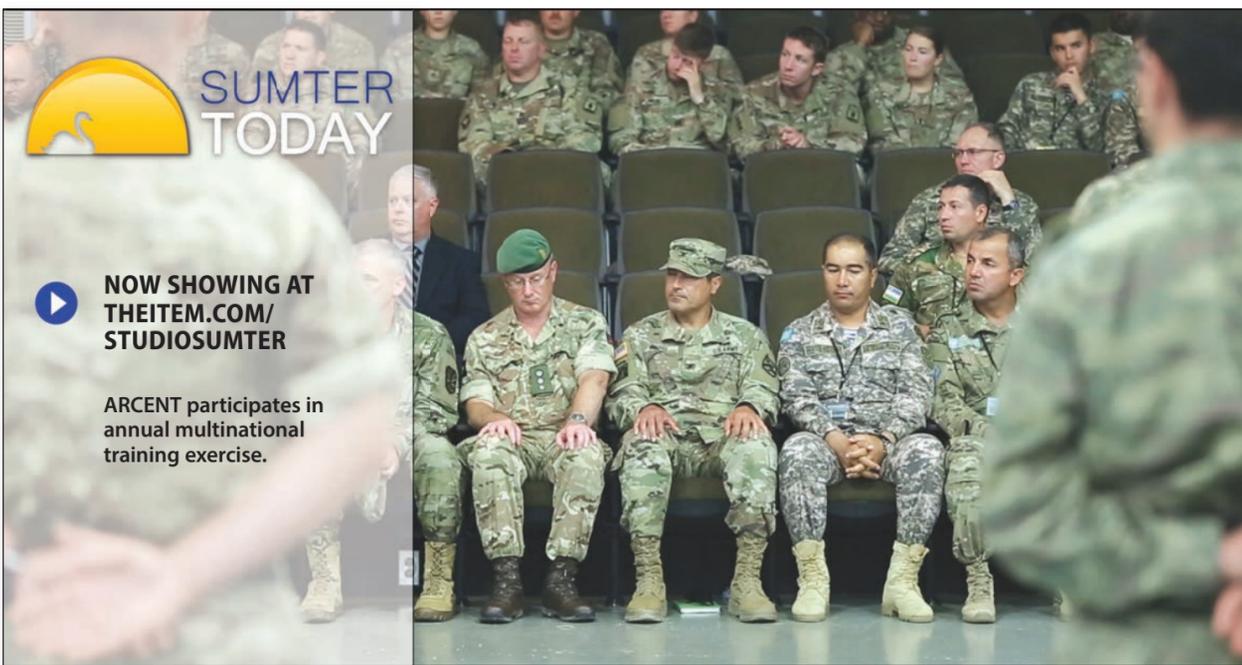
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Make better choices for healthier kids this school year

Childhood obesity is a growing problem in the United States. For the first time in history, American children could have a shorter lifespan than their parents.

The rates have tripled since 1980, making it the most common chronic childhood disease. Today more children are being diagnosed with conditions associated with obesity, such as diabetes and hypertension. Children who are affected by obesity are 70 percent more likely to continue to be affected by it in adulthood and are at a higher risk for serious health issues such as heart disease and cancer.

Childhood obesity can have a harmful effect on the body in sever-



Missy Corrigan

socioeconomic status and lack of physical activity contribute to obesity, it is possible to make changes and improve health outcomes.

Approximately one-third of obese boys and girls suffer from fatty liver disease, which comes from overeating high-fat foods. Over the long term, it can lead to cirrhosis of the liver, liver failure and liver cancer.

al ways, putting children at high risk to develop cardiovascular disease, diabetes, sleep apnea, asthma, joint problems, heartburn and social and psychological problems such as depression and anxiety. While environment, genetics, diet,

As for physical development, puberty occurs at a younger age in obese children, perhaps stunting their growth potential because growth stops two years after the onset of puberty. Additionally, the bones and growth plates are not strong enough to support the excess weight, which can cause inadequate bone growth and formation, leading to bowing of the legs and future joint issues.

With the start of a new school year comes a perfect opportunity to form new habits. Here are some simple tips that can help families change habits to improve overall health and well-being:

- Make water the drink of choice at all meals;
- Keep full water bottles available in the car and back packs;
- Make it easy to fill half kids'

plates w/fruits and veggies by offering two to three colorful options;

- Eat as a family as frequently as possible with kids involved in meal preparation and cleanup;
- Time spent in front of a television, computer, tablet, cellphone or video games should be limited to two hours per day;
- Adults should take a break from electronics and spend one-on-one time each day with their kids;
- Kids should have at least an hour a day of unstructured play outside (when possible); and
- Kids need to keep a regular sleep schedule, 10-12 hours per night.

Missy Corrigan is executive of community health for Sumter Family YMCA. She can be reached at mcorrigan@ymcasumter.org or (803) 773-1404.

CAMPUS CORNER

TROY UNIVERSITY

TROY, Alabama — Troy University recognizes the following Sumter students who completed the requirements for graduation during the summer semester/Term 5 of the 2017-18 academic year: **Shelley Kile**, Master of Public Administration; and **Whitney Saxon**, Bachelor of Science.

Christopher Harvey of Sumter has been named to the Provost's List at Troy University for the summer semester/Term 5 of the 2017-18 academic year. The Provost's List honors full-time undergraduate students who are registered for at least 12 semester hours and who have a grade-point average of at least 3.65.

FURMAN UNIVERSITY

GREENVILLE — The following Furman University students who live in your area are included on the dean's list for the 2018 spring semester. Furman's dean's list is composed of full-time undergraduate students who earn a grade-point average of 3.4 or higher on a four-point system.

- Dalzell — **William Shadwell**, son of Christina Shadwell and Henry Shadwell; and
- Sumter — **Tyler King**, son of Pamela King and Brent King.

COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY

CONWAY — More than 380 students were eligible to participate in commence-

ment ceremonies at Coastal Carolina University on Aug. 3.

Among those eligible to participate in the commencement ceremony:

- Manning — **Davion Black** earned a Bachelor of Science in Recreation and Sport Management, and **Tiana James** earned a Bachelor of Science in Biology;
- Sumter — **Allie Boan**

earned a Bachelor of Science in Public Health, **Jade Graves** earned a Bachelor of Science in Public Health, and **Ashley Rutledge** earned a Master of Business Administration in Business Administration.

The **Zeta Xi Chapter of Phi Sigma Pi National Honor Fraternity** at Coastal Carolina University was recognized at the fraternity's 2018 National Convention on July 28. During the awards banquet, the Zeta Xi Chapter was awarded the Joseph Torchia Outstanding Chapter Award and the Steven A. DiGuiseppe Excellence in Administration Award.

Alexandria Nelson of Manning and **Jeannette Pryor** of Sumter are members of the CCU chapter of Phi Sigma Pi.

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS AT LITTLE ROCK

LITTLE ROCK, Arkansas — **Skyler Keller** of Sumter graduated from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock during the spring 2018 semester. Keller graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Interdisciplinary Studies.

College staffer in South Carolina faces sex abuse charges

CHARLESTON (AP) — A staff member at The Citadel has been arrested and charged with sexual abuse involving a cadet at the South Carolina school.

Citadel vice president John Dorrian told news out-

lets Wednesday that Kenneth Boes turned himself in to face charges of third-degree criminal sexual conduct and transferring beer or wine to a person under the age of 21.

Dorrian said the school received an allegation of sexual abuse in May and asked the State Law Enforcement Division to investigate. Dorrian said Boes

was reassigned to a position without contact with students when the allegation was made.

Boes has worked at the military school since 2002 as part of the Teach-Advise-Coach team.

He is being held in the Charleston County jail. It was not immediately clear whether he had an attorney.

S.C. deputies look for more victims of serial killer after getting tip

SPARTANBURG (AP) — Sheriff's deputies in South Carolina searched Wednesday for two more possible victims connected to a man who pleaded guilty last year to killing seven people.

Spartanburg County Sheriff Chuck Wright said the search along Interstate 26 came after he received a "second- or third-hand tip" from a documentary film crew about more killings connected with Todd Kohlhepp, who previously lived in the area.

About 20 deputies and a dog trained to sniff for cadavers were searching in heavily wooded areas, even though Wright said he was not hopeful the tip would pan out.

"Because I know he's killed seven, I feel like we need to check this out," said Wright, who also worries about giving the killer unwarranted attention.

"I don't want it to be one of those things, he wants to stay relevant," the sheriff said.

Kohlhepp is serving seven consecutive life sentences in a Columbia prison for his guilty pleas last year.

The documentary crew was given access to the search while other news media were kept away.



AP FILE PHOTO

Todd Kohlhepp appears in court in May 2017 in Spartanburg.

"Where they got their tip, I don't know," Wright said about Wednesday's search.

The documentary crew was not immediately identified. Nothing had been found by midday Wednesday.

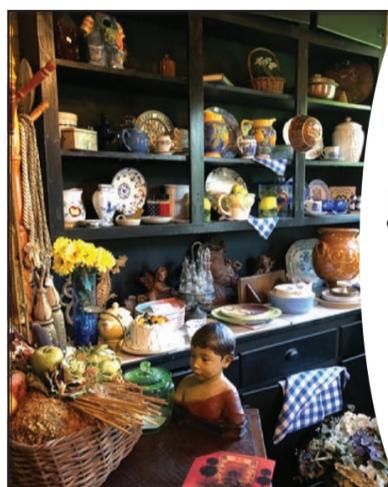
Kohlhepp's crimes were discovered when police rescued a woman being held inside a storage container on his property.

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Storage tanks at a refinery line the waterway in Port Arthur, Texas. The oil industry wants the government to help protect some of its facilities on the Texas Gulf Coast against the effects of global warming.

Big oil asks government to protect it from climate change

PORT ARTHUR, Texas (AP) — As the nation plans new defenses against the more powerful storms and higher tides expected from climate change, one project stands out: an ambitious proposal to build a nearly 60-mile "spine" of concrete seawalls, earthen barriers, floating gates and steel levees on the Texas Gulf Coast.

Like other oceanfront projects, this one would protect homes, delicate ecosystems and vital infrastructure, but it also has another priority — to shield some of the crown jewels of the petroleum industry, which is blamed for contributing to global warming and now wants the federal government to build safeguards against the consequences of it.

The plan is focused on a stretch of coastline that runs from the Louisiana border to industrial enclaves south of Houston that are home to one of the world's largest concentrations of petrochemical facilities, including most of Texas' 30 refineries, which represent 30 percent of the nation's refining capacity.

Texas is seeking at least \$12 billion for the full coastal spine, with nearly all of it coming from public funds. Last month, the government fast-tracked an initial \$3.9 billion for three separate, smaller storm barrier projects that would specifically protect oil facilities.

That followed Hurricane Harvey, which roared ashore last Aug. 25 and swamped Houston and parts of the coast, temporarily knocking out a quarter of the area's oil refining capacity and causing average gasoline prices to jump 28 cents a gallon nationwide. Many Republicans argue that the Texas

oil projects belong at the top of Washington's spending list.

"Our overall economy, not only in Texas but in the entire country, is so much at risk from a high storm surge," said Matt Sebesta, a Republican who as Brazoria County judge oversees a swath of Gulf Coast.

But the idea of taxpayers around the country paying to protect refineries worth billions, and in a state where top politicians still dispute climate change's validity, doesn't sit well with some.

"The oil and gas industry is getting a free ride," said Brandt Mannchen, a member of the Sierra Club's executive committee in Houston. "You don't hear the industry making a peep about paying for any of this, and why should they? There's all this push like, 'Please Senator Cornyn, Please Senator Cruz, we need money for this and that.'"

Normally outspoken critics of federal spending, Texas Sens. John Cornyn and Ted Cruz both backed using taxpayer funds to fortify the oil facilities' protections and the Texas coast. Cruz called it "a tremendous step forward."

Federal, state and local money is also bolstering defenses elsewhere, including on New York's Staten Island, around Atlantic City, New Jersey, and in other communities hammered by Superstorm Sandy in 2012.

Construction in Texas could begin in several months on the three sections of storm barrier. While plans are still being finalized, some dirt levees will be raised to about 17 feet high, and six miles of 19-foot-tall floodwalls would be built or strengthened around Port Arthur, a Texas-Louisiana border locale of

pungent chemical smells and towering knots of steel pipes.

The town of 55,000 includes the Saudi-controlled Motiva oil refinery, the nation's largest, as well as refineries owned by oil giants Valero Energy Corp. and Total S.A. There are also almost a dozen petrochemical facilities.

"You're looking at a lot of people, a lot of homes, but really a lot of industry," said Steve Sherrill, an Army Corps of Engineers resident engineer in Port Arthur, as he peered over a Gulf tributary lined with chunks of granite and metal gates, much of which is set to be reinforced.

The second barrier project features around 25 miles of new levees and seawalls in nearby Orange County, where Chevron, DuPont and other companies have facilities. The third would extend and heighten seawalls around Freeport, home to a Phillips 66 export terminal for liquefied natural gas and nearby refinery, as well as several chemical facilities.

The proposals approved for funding originally called for building more protections along larger swaths of the Texas coast, but they were scaled back and now deliberately focus on refineries.

"That was one of the main reasons we looked at some of those areas," said Tony Williams, environmental review coordinator for the Texas Land Commissioner's Office.

Oil and chemical companies also pushed for more protection for surrounding communities to shield their workforces, but "not every property can be protected," said Sheri Willey, deputy

chief of project management for the Army Corps of Engineers' upper Texas district.

"Our regulations tell us what benefits we need to include, and they have to be national economic benefits," Willey said.

Once work is complete on the three sections, they could eventually be integrated into a larger coastal spine system. In some places along Texas' 370-mile Gulf Coast, 18 feet is lost annually to erosion, threatening to suck more wetlands, roads and buildings into rising seas.

Protecting a wide expanse will be expensive. After Harvey, a special Texas commission prepared a report seeking \$61 billion from Congress to "future proof" the state against such natural disasters, without mentioning climate change, which scientists say will cause heavier rains and stronger storms.

Texas has not tapped its own rainy day fund of about \$11 billion. According to federal rules, 35 percent of funds spent by the Army Corps of Engineers must be matched by local jurisdictions, and the GOP-controlled state Legislature could help cover such costs. But such spending may be tough for many conservatives to swallow.

Texas "should be funding things like this itself," said Chris Edwards, an economist at the libertarian Cato Institute. "Texans are proud of their conservatism, but, unfortunately, when decisions get made in Washington, that frugality goes out the door."

State officials counter that protecting the oil facilities is a matter of national security.



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Tourists take photos inside the new San Francisco Transbay Transit Center on Wednesday.

San Francisco's \$2 billion transit terminal open

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Spanning three city blocks, San Francisco's \$2 billion transit terminal is open after nearly a decade under construction.

Coined the "Grand Central of the West," the new Salesforce Transit Center near the heart of downtown is expected to accommodate 100,000 passengers each weekday and up to 45 million people a year. It welcomed its first passengers and visitors this month.

Enveloped in wavy white sheets of metal veil, the five-level center includes a bus deck, a towering sky-lit central entrance hall and a rooftop park with an outdoor amphitheater.

The *San Francisco Chronicle* reported that the complex faced delays in putting out contracts to bid, and the winning bids were ultimately higher than expected. The terminal's cost rose from \$1.6 billion at its 2010 ground-

breaking to more than \$2 billion in 2016 because of what one analyst called "optimistic assumptions," according to the *Chronicle*.

The project, a commanding presence in the city's South of Market neighborhood, is financed by land sales, federal stimulus grants, district fees and taxes, bridge tolls, and federal and state funds.

The terminal is heralded as the American West's Grand Central, a reference to New York City's world-famous Grand Central Terminal opened in 1913. That train station accommodates 750,000 visitors daily and has been featured in numerous well-known movies.

Yet to be completed at San Francisco's center are restaurants, retail shops and a gondola. There also are plans for a three-platform train station underground and eventually, connections to a high-speed rail line under construction in California's Central Valley.

Strong aftershock hits Venezuela following biggest quake since 1900

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) — A strong aftershock jolted Venezuela's northeastern coast on Wednesday following the most powerful earthquake to hit the area in more than a century, though officials said neither caused major damage or deaths, apparently due to their depth.

The magnitude 7.3 quake Tuesday was the largest to strike Venezuela since 1900, according to the U.S. Geological Survey. But at a depth of some 76 miles beneath the Earth's surface, it appeared to have caused only limited damage even near its epicenter a few miles off the Cariaco peninsula that stretches into the eastern Caribbean.

The magnitude 5.8 aftershock at 9:27 a.m. on Wednesday also was centered relatively deep, 61 miles below the surface. It was felt lightly in the capital.

"Shaking does die off at a distance," said

seismologist Lucy Jones, a research associate with the California Institute of Technology, adding that the earthquake's considerable depth likely prevented a tragedy.

In Cumana, the biggest city near the quake's center, supermarket shelves came crashing down on Tuesday.

In downtown Caracas, Venezuela's capital, concrete from the top floors of the unfinished Tower of David skyscraper fell to the sidewalk, forcing firefighters to close off traffic. A block away, children wearing surgical masks stretched their necks to peer at the 620-foot building after fleeing a building housing a foundation for children suffering from cancer.

"We felt something strong, and they told everyone to run," said Marisela Lopez, who was at the foundation with her 7-year-old daughter when the quake struck.

Historical commission: N.C. will keep 3 Confederate monuments at Capitol

RALEIGH, N.C. (AP) — A North Carolina historical commission decided Wednesday that three Confederate monuments will remain on the state Capitol grounds with newly added context about slavery and civil rights, weighing in less than two days after another rebel statue was torn down by protesters at the state's flagship university.

The state Historical Commission was responding to a request by Democratic Gov. Roy Cooper to move the 20th-century monuments from the Capitol.

The commission voted 10-1 to reinterpret the three monuments by adding more information about slavery. It urged construction of a memorial to black citizens as soon as possible.

The group of academic and amateur historians also recognized that monuments on the Capitol grounds are imbalanced toward the Civil War and the Confederacy.

Cooper responded with a statement decrying a law passed in 2015 by the GOP-controlled state legislature that sharply restricts where state and local government officials can relocate such memorials and all but bars their permanent removal. He also said the toppling of the Confederate statue known as "Silent Sam" on Monday night at the Univer-

sity of North Carolina was an example of what happens when people feel their leaders won't act on their concerns.

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Mock filed a lawsuit against Samuels-Cooper after the June primary to challenge her assertions she has met the statutory requirements needed to be a coroner. She claimed she has one year of experience in death investigations that she gained during her 13 years as an administrative assistant at the coroner's office. Of those 13 years, she was made a full-time employee at the beginning of this year, and she was fired halfway through the year.

After two days of testimony, Judge R. Ferrell Cothran ruled Samuels-Cooper can be a candidate because Mock did not formally challenge the results of the primary but that she is not qualified to be a coroner and will not earn the experience necessary within the one year of becoming one allowed by law. The South Carolina Election Commission took the ruling as a disqualification for the candidate and

opened a special filing period for a new primary.

Chris Whitmire, director of public information and training for the election commission, said while there is no statutory deadline for parties to certify candidates for special primaries, he expects a decision to be made by noon Thursday.

"We have been in discussion, and that sounds reasonable," Whitmire said.

If Samuels-Cooper is not allowed back on the ballot, Mock will be the only candidate running, and, therefore, a special primary will not be necessary; he will be placed directly onto the Nov. 6 ballot as an unopposed candidate.

Whitmire said while he has not received official documentation of an appeal from Samuels-Cooper's attorney, "we understand it's on the way."

If Samuels-Cooper is certified, what happens then remains unclear.

"We'll cross that bridge," Whitmire said, "when we get there."

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Clinton's campaigns as the two candidates vied for the Democratic presidential nomination. Hackers also accessed the email accounts of Clinton's campaign chairman, John Podesta, and systematically released the contents throughout the fall campaign.

It also comes a day after Microsoft announced it had uncovered similarly fraudulent websites created by Kremlin agents that spoofed two conservative outfits that are foes of Russia's president, Vladimir Putin, presumably to trick unwitting visitors into surrendering credentials.

Bob Lord, the DNC's chief security officer, said the attempt showed how serious the cyber-threat is and why it's critical that state and federal officials work together on security.

"This attempt is further proof that there are constant threats as we head into mid-term elections, and we must remain vigilant in order to

prevent future attacks," Lord said in a statement.

He said President Donald Trump isn't doing enough to protect American democracy. Previously, Trump mocked the DNC's cybersecurity and cast doubt on U.S. intelligence officials' findings that Russia was involved.

At a previously scheduled election security briefing Wednesday, Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen said the quick response to the attempted DNC hack showed that the system was working "and that different entities understand who to reach out to," she said.

Amid the news, a Senate committee abruptly postponed a Wednesday vote on legislation to help states prevent against election hacking, frustrating Democrats and at least one Republican on the panel.

The vote was put off by the Senate Rules and Administration Committee after a bipartisan group of lawmakers spent months negotiating the legislation.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT TO TRADE OUT EQUIPMENT

Reading: First; only one reading is required

Agenda item: A resolution to authorize the purchase of two new custom fire pumper trucks for Sumter Fire Department.

Background: Both trucks, to be purchased from Toyne Inc. in Sumter, are priced at \$343,990 each.

Chief Karl Ford said the department can add additional items to its purchase contract with the city if the items match the price of the same items previously purchased under the contract.

He said one truck will go to Stadium Road Station, and the other will go to Thomas Sumter Station.

One of the trucks was approved for lease purchase in this year's budget, and the other will be paid for by the

sale of some apparatus the department currently has, he said.

"We've sold one in the last two weeks that took care of the majority of that purchase," Ford said.

The department benefits economically by getting back about half of the value of each apparatus it sells through a seven-year phase-out program, he said.

Discussion: Councilwoman lone Dwyer made a motion for approval, and Galiano seconded.

Councilman Steve Corley asked Ford if the county would be involved in financing the trucks. Ford said no, but the county did previously assist with the purchase of a fire pumper truck for Manning Road Station.

Vote: Unanimous approval

FATHER RETURNS WITH REQUEST TO HELP DAUGHTER'S DREAM

Reading: First

Agenda item: A request to rezone .30 acres at 702 N. Main St. from residential-6 to neighborhood commercial to develop a beauty salon.

Background: The property, which is an irregular triangle shape, has mostly historically been used for single-family housing, according to a staff report from Sumter Planning Department.

Staff notes state development of the lot, meeting neighborhood commercial setbacks and establishing site access will be challenging because of the size and shape of the property but potentially feasible.

Planning department staff supports the request, and Sumter City-County Planning Commission voted to recommend approval during its meeting on July 25.

City council denied the applicant's request to rezone the property from residential-6 to general commercial during its meeting on July 17.

Planning department director George McGregor said planning staff thought it would be almost impossible to develop a structure on that lot in a general commercial district except with extreme variances from required setbacks.

Variances will likely be required if the property is rezoned neighborhood commercial, but the setbacks would be much smaller than in general commercial property, he said.

The applicant essentially has to put pen to paper with an engineer to figure out what can fit on the site, he said.

During a previous meeting, the applicant said he wanted to purchase the property so his daughter could operate a beauty salon.

Public hearing: One city resident said she is in favor of the rezoning because there is only one salon in that area.

Discussion: Lowery made a motion for approval, and Dwyer seconded.

Vote: Unanimous approval

COHEN

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state Attorney General Barbara Underwood, who could pursue criminal charges and seek the release of Trump's tax returns. Anyone charged with a state crime in relation to the investigation could not be cleared by a presidential pardon.

Cohen pleaded guilty in Manhattan federal court Tuesday to campaign-finance violations and other charges, saying he and Trump arranged the payment of hush money to porn star Stormy Daniels and a former Playboy model to influence the election.

"I do believe that he has information about Mr. Trump that would be of interest both in Washington

as well as New York state," Cohen's attorney Lanny Davis said Tuesday night on CNN's "Cuomo Prime Time," a show hosted by Chris Cuomo, brother of New York's governor.

The state's investigation follows Underwood's lawsuit alleging Trump illegally tapped his Trump Foundation to settle legal disputes, help his campaign for president and pay for personal and business expenses, which included spending \$10,000 on a 6-foot portrait of himself.

The attorney general's office is seeking \$2.8 million in restitution and other unspecified penalties in its civil suit. It said that it had referred its findings to the IRS and the Federal Election Commission for possible further action.

A spokeswoman for Underwood declined to dis-

cuss the state's new subpoena and noted that Cuomo's administration would need to refer the tax department investigation to it before criminal charges could be pursued.

"We cannot comment on potential or ongoing investigations," said spokeswoman Amy Spitalnick. "As our lawsuit against the Trump Foundation illustrates, we will hold Donald Trump and his associates accountable for violations of state law and will seek a criminal referral from the appropriate state agency as necessary."

Messages left with attorneys for Cohen and Trump were not immediately returned Wednesday.

Cuomo is seeking a third term this November and faces liberal activist and former "Sex and the City" star Cynthia Nixon in next month's Democratic primary.

New Numbing Drug Relieves Crippling Arthritis Pain Without Pills or Needles

New cream relieves arthritis pain in minutes after applying; uses the strongest approved dose of an anesthetic drug which numbs the nerves that cause relentless joint pain

By David Watson
Associated Health Press

BOSTON – Expectations are high for a new blockbuster arthritis drug. But unlike so many of the others, it comes in the form of cream, not a pill.

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Mississippi could re-examine 1959 racial killing of teenager

BY EMILY WAGSTER PETTUS

Associated Press

CORINTH, Miss. — Eberlene King remembers her 15-year-old brother as he lay dying, after white teenagers cruised through their black neighborhood in a pickup on Halloween night 1959 and shot him in the face.

"His eyes ... were hanging out," King recalled. "His head was full of pellets."

William Roy Prather died the next morning in their hometown of Corinth, Mississippi, a few miles south of the Tennessee line.

Eight white teens were charged with murder, but only one was convicted. Jerry Darnell Glidewell, then 16, pleaded guilty to manslaughter in January 1960 and served less than a year in state prison. Six of the seven others in the truck got a year's probation through youth court, and an 18-year-old walked free.

The black teen's slaying has never drawn much attention, even as federal and state authorities in the past 15 years have re-opened investigations of racially motivated killings from the civil rights era.

Now, the U.S. Justice Department says it has referred Prather's killing to the state of Mississippi "for potential prosecution." The Associated Press dug into the case to reveal information not previously reported, including details about the Justice Department's investigation and AP interviews with King and Glidewell.

It's unclear whether a district attorney will pursue charges against any aging defendant in a decades-old case where witnesses' memories may be fading and some pieces of evidence, including the truck and the shotgun, have disappeared.

The case is briefly mentioned in a report the department filed in March — the same one that said the department is reviving its investigation into the brutal 1955 killing of another black teenager in Mississippi, Emmett Till.

"Although prosecution of some of the subjects may be barred by double jeopardy and other subjects are deceased, the Department referred the matter to the state of Mississippi to determine whether any state prosecutions might be appropriate," the Justice Department said of the Prather case.

The state prosecutor whose territory includes Corinth, District Attorney John Weddle, did not return multiple calls seeking comment.

King said FBI agents knocked on her door a few years ago and hand delivered a letter from the Justice Department. The letter said no federal charges could be brought in the killing of her brother, based on laws that existed in 1959. It said "the only possible prosecution" would be for the state to bring unspecified charges against one suspect who was 18 at the time of the crime.

Corinth is home to about 14,600 people, 70 percent of them white and 24 percent black.



Corinth High School English teacher Gennella Graham, a distant relative of William Roy Prather, explains the poem she wrote about her relative who was killed by a group of white teenagers, who cruised through the Corinth, Mississippi, black neighborhood in a pickup on Halloween night in 1959. This school year, Graham will teach her 11th-grade students about Prather.

In the city, once besieged during the Civil War, schools and neighborhoods remained segregated through the 1960s. While some black residents remember fear and violence, others say the town was quiet as long as everyone, in the language of the times, "remembered their place."

The 1950s and '60s saw racial strife throughout the South, as whites resisted racial integration. Prather's slaying came four years after Till's brutal killing galvanized the civil rights movement and three years before violence erupted about 80 miles southwest of Corinth at the University of Mississippi when the first black student enrolled.

A Confederate soldier statue still stands sentinel outside the courthouse on Corinth's town square.

Inside the courthouse, old handwritten records show that on Jan. 26, 1960, Glidewell pleaded guilty to manslaughter: "Ordered to serve 5 yrs. in State Penitentiary, the last 4 yrs. of which suspended on good behavior."

Glidewell, who goes by his middle name Darnell, now lives off a hilly country road north of Corinth. He answered the phone on a recent morning, and an Associated Press reporter asked about Prather's killing.

"They charged me with that, yeah," said Glidewell, now in his mid-70s.

As to what happened that Halloween night, he said: "I'd rather not talk to you on the phone."

But Glidewell responded to a few more questions. He said investiga-

tors spoke to him about the case several years ago, and one said: "Don't worry about it."

"It's all over with, you know?" Glidewell said. "But I ain't heard any more from it. ... That's over 50 year ago."

Glidewell said "four or five" of the people with him that night are still alive. "I don't know where they live right now," he said. "I don't ever see them."

Their names don't appear in court records near Glidewell's, but they are listed in the Justice Department letter.

After the phone conversation, an AP reporter and photographer drove to Glidewell's house and knocked on the door. His wife said he has liver cancer, his memory is failing and he did not want to talk.

The Justice Department letter says that, based on investigators' interviews with witnesses, a group of white teens drove through a black neighborhood of Corinth on Halloween night 1959. Black witnesses said they saw the white teens throwing firecrackers at the black teens, and some young black people threw rocks and bricks at the truck. Investigators were told the white teenagers got a shotgun and shells from a home of one person in their group, then returned to the black part of town, where Glidewell shot Prather.

"Glidewell reported to police that before he fired the shotgun several of the subjects said, 'There they are, shoot,'" the Justice Department letter said.

News reports from the time said

Prather was not among those who had thrown rocks or bricks at the truck.

"Although Glidewell and some of the subjects contended that Glidewell had shot straight up in the air, the autopsy report indicated that Glidewell had aimed the shotgun dead-straight at your brother's face," the Justice Department letter said.

King, now 73, said her older brother was "a real quiet person" who had helped his friends clean up a church on Halloween night.

"He didn't deserve what happened to him. ... Well, nobody deserves that," King said in a phone interview from her home near Atlanta. "He would just go to school, go back and do his chores at home."

The Justice Department letter says the all-white grand jury that indicted Glidewell recommended he be treated with "leniency." The grand jury recommended that six of the remaining white teens have their cases sent to youth court and that the one 18-year-old in the group have his case sent to a July 1960 grand jury; investigators found no record indicating any indictment against him.

A judge put the younger teens on probation and released them from that by March 1961, writing that each "would make a good citizen," according to the Justice Department letter.

Johnnie Sue Johnson, a second cousin of Prather, lived near the funeral home and went to view his body; she was 13. She said his face was swollen from being shot. "He looked like he was 90-something years old," Johnson said from her home in Champaign, Illinois. "It was just awful."

One of Johnson's nieces, Gennella Graham, was born in 1975 and grew up in Corinth but had never heard of Prather's death until the summer of 2017, when she took a course at Tougaloo College in Jackson and was assigned to write about her hometown's "hidden history." Graham, who teaches English at Corinth High School, was given Prather's name and called her aunt. Johnson told her about the killing and about their kinship to Prather. Johnson also told her that Prather's friend who was with him that night, Lavelle Powell, survived but lost hearing in one ear because of the shooting. Powell later moved away from Mississippi, and he died a few years ago.

Graham wrote a poem about Prather, which says, in part:

"Write that I,
"Wanted to fight,
"Wanted to live,
"But no one asked what I thought,
"What I wanted."

This school year, Graham will teach her 11th-grade students about William Roy Prather.

"I know he just lived 15 years on this earth. But I would like to know — what was he interested in? Did he have a girlfriend? ... Did he have a job somewhere? Where did he attend church?" Graham said. "I just want them to know that he was important. When you die, that's not the end of your story."

Many teens, parents concerned about screen time

NEW YORK (AP) — Parents lament their teenagers' noses constantly in their phones, but they might want to take stock of their own screen time habits.

A study out Wednesday from the Pew Research Center found that two-thirds of parents are concerned about the amount of time their teenage children spend in front of screens, while more than a third expressed concern about their own screen time.

Meanwhile, more than half of teens said they often or sometimes find their parents or caregivers to be distracted when the teens are trying to have a conversation with them. The study calls teens' relationship with their phones at times "hyperconnected" and notes

that nearly three-fourths check messages or notifications as soon as they wake up. Parents do the same, but at a lower if still substantial rate — 57 percent.

Big tech companies face a growing backlash against the addictive nature of their gadgets and apps, the endless notifications and other features created to keep people tethered to their screens.

Many teens are trying to do something about it: 52 percent said they have cut back on the time they spend on their phones, and 57 percent did the same with social media.

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Brennan is a hack. And Trump turned him into Spartacus.

WASHINGTON — Many in the intelligence community have been quietly dismayed by the hyperbolic partisan behavior of former CIA director John Brennan since Donald Trump took office. But by revoking Brennan's security clearance, President Trump has managed to turn Brennan from an embarrassment into a martyr.

The response to Trump's action has been like the scene in the 1960 movie "Spartacus" when a Roman general announces to a group of rebel slaves that they will be spared the punishment of crucifixion — but only if they turn in Spartacus, the leader of the revolt. One by one, the slaves stand up and shout, "I am Spartacus."

As former CIA director Michael Hayden has pointed out, a similar scene is playing out today in the intelligence community. The first to yell "I am Spartacus" was retired Adm. William H. McRaven, former head of U.S. Joint Special Operations Command, who declared in a *Post* op-ed, "I would consider it an honor if you would revoke my security clearance as well, so I can add my name to the list of men and women who have spoken up against your presidency."

Then 12 former CIA directors, CIA deputy directors and directors of national intelligence declared in a joint letter that they, too, were Spartacus: "You don't have to agree with what John Brennan says (and, again, not all of us do) to agree with his right to say it, subject to his obligation to protect classified information." The number of signatories is now at 15.

They were soon joined by 60 former CIA officers, who signed a letter of their own and released it Friday evening declaring they were Spartacus. "Our signatories below do not necessarily mean that we concur with the opinions expressed by former Director Brennan or the way in which he expressed them," they wrote, but "the country will be weakened if there is a political litmus test applied before seasoned experts are allowed to share their views." By Tuesday, the number of signatories had grown to 177 and included former senior officials from the State, Defense and Justice departments as well as the National Security Council and even NASA.

Note the pains the writers of both letters took to distance themselves from both the substance and style of Brennan's attacks on Trump. Brennan's conduct has been deeply controversial in intelligence circles — and with good reason. After the Justice Department fired former FBI deputy director Andrew Mc-

Cabe (whom the inspector general determined had inappropriately authorized the disclosure of sensitive information and then misled investigators), Brennan lashed out at Trump, declaring on Twitter, "When the full extent of your venality, moral turpitude and political corruption becomes known, you will take your rightful place as a disgraced demagogue in the dustbin of history." Brennan has also warned Republican members of Congress that "Legislators who try to protect [Trump] will face November reckoning."

But, most egregious of all, Brennan accused Trump of treason, tweeting that Trump's performance at his Helsinki news conference with Russian President Vladimir Putin "rises to & exceeds the threshold of 'high crimes & misdemeanors'" and "was nothing short of treasonous." This was both outrageous and absurd. A news conference, however embarrassing, is not an impeachable offense. On Sunday, an incredulous Chuck Todd told Brennan on NBC's "Meet the Press," "You are the former CIA director accusing the sitting President of the United States ... of treason. ... That's a monumental accusation." Brennan stood by his ridiculous accusation.

Even some former officials deeply concerned by Trump's policies and behavior have been taken aback by the barrage of partisan invective. James R. Clapper Jr., who worked for President Barack Obama alongside Brennan as director of national intelligence, recently complained, "John and his rhetoric have become an issue in and of itself." Retired Adm. Mike Mullen, who served as chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff under Obama, said Brennan's partisan criticism of Trump "has put him in a political place which actually does more damage for the intelligence community." He's right. Brennan's actions have harmed the intelligence community, which prides itself on staying above the partisan fray, and have fed the narrative of a "deep state" seeking to undermine Trump.

But revoking Brennan's security clearance has not hurt Brennan. To the contrary, Trump has rescued Brennan from his own partisan hackery and given him an even greater platform from which to spew his bile. Indeed, the president admitted as much on Friday, saying, "If anything, I'm giving him a bigger voice."

Yes, Mr. President, you are — and that is a big mistake.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

DEMOCRATS TELL YOUNG PEOPLE THEY'RE IN A HOPELESS SITUATION

Don't you get the idea that the Democrats see more bad in this world than good? How sad. I used to see this party as one of optimism and hope.

When their own "leaders" talk about how "this country was never great" and openly call for harassing members of Trump's administration and his family, they are definitely not my party any longer. They sound like losers. No wonder young people are so miserable ... the people they look up to tell them they are in a hopeless situation ... and they believe them? Defeatists ... beholden to a group of politicians that tell them over and over again that they can never get ahead unless they follow them.

Priceless.

JOHN SELLAR
Sumter

THANK YOU TO SUMTER ORGANIZATIONS FOR SUPPORT AFTER LOSS OF WIFE

I want to thank all the people who sent their kind thoughts and prayers, brought food, checked on me and my family and took

care of things that we didn't notice or have the heart to address. I have lived in many places in my life, but the Sumter community has been my home these 20-plus years.

The people and organizations of Sumter are kind, caring and supportive. Over the years, people have provided time, money and talent to many of the community organizations that reach out to others that might need a hand from time to time — organizations to which I can proudly say I serve as a member or support. These include Toys for Tots, Marine Corps League, Sons of the American Revolution, Christian Charities Food Pantry, Knights of Columbus, VFW, American Legion, DAV and St. Anne and St. Jude's Parish. All of these organizations do good work in Sumter, and they were there for me and my family as they have been for many in our community.

I would like to express my gratitude to these organizations that have been so supportive of me and my family in this difficult time of grief over the loss of my wife of 64 years.

WILLIAM "BILL" HARTLEY
Sumter

COMMENTARY

Why do any former officials get to keep their security clearances?

BY DICK MORRIS
and EILEEN MCGANN

Why do any former officials ever have a security clearance? And why should they mind so much when it's terminated?

The firestorm of liberal and media criticism of President Donald Trump for revoking the security clearance of former Director of National Intelligence James Brennan begs the question of why he kept the clearance in the first place after leaving his post.

The answer is not political or legal. It is financial. When men and women exit the revolving door of intelligence jobs, they enter a labor market that values them for their access to information.

Having security clearance underpins many lucrative jobs in the private sector. Cutting off clearance curtails their ability to get high six-figure or low seven-figure jobs where they are hired for their access to secret information.

If anyone deserves to have his clearance pulled, it is Brennan. A staunch supporter of appeasement in the war on terror, he re-

oriented the intelligence community, turning it around to prosecute those who questioned terrorists rather than the combatants themselves. It was he who made the CIA and the other intelligence organs into functioning tools of the left. His appointees continue to leak classified information, doing their best to sabotage their nominal boss — the president.

Brennan voted communist in the 1976 presidential elections, saying that he did not find either Jimmy Carter or Gerald Ford to his liking. He lived extensively in the Arab world, and rumors have circulated that he converted to Islam. He and former Attorney General Eric Holder are jointly responsible for converting the FBI and the CIA into hotbeds of leftist ideology.

He used a clever ruse to do so. Upon being appointed, he moved to "reorganize" the CIA. Formerly, the agency had been stratified by function.

Information gathering, counterintelligence, covert action and its other functions each had their own bureau with their separate chiefs. Brennan reorganized this plan into a vertical design where all those operatives who worked in a

particular geographic region were put together in one bureau regardless of their function.

Some say he did this reshuffling to make it easier to fire the incumbents holding staff jobs so he could hire, in their stead, true leftist believers. In any case, it is a matter of record that a great many of the top operatives quit rather than be reorganized.

The employees in the high prestige subdivisions like covert action did not want to be lumped in with the desk-bound paper pushers and put in for their retirement pensions.

For Brennan to continue to get security clearance and have access to top-level information was always a mistake.

His loyalties are very much subject to question. But that was President Obama's decision, and he had the right to make the appointment. But that mistake should not bind Trump, who was right to revoke his clearance.

Hopefully, there will be more revocations to follow.

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AROUND TOWN

The American Red Cross is issuing an urgent call for blood donors of all blood types, especially type O. Schedule your donation appointment by using the free Blood Donor App, by visiting www.redcrossblood.org or by calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767). Help save a life by participating in one of the following American Red Cross blood donation opportunities: 2-7 p.m. today, Pocalla Church, 1214 S. Guignard Drive; and 2-7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 30, Grace Baptist Church, 219 W. Calhoun St.

Clarendon School District One will conduct free vision, hearing, speech and developmental screenings as part of a child find effort to identify students ages 3-5, who may need special education services and are not enrolled in a public school. Screenings will be conducted from 9 a.m. to noon at the Summer-ton Early Childhood Center, 8 South St., Summerton, on the following Tuesdays: Sept. 11; Oct. 9; Nov. 13; Dec. 11; Jan. 8, 2019; Feb. 12, 2019; March 12, 2019; April 9, 2019; and May 14, 2019. Call Robert Collar at (803) 574-2117.

The DAV Mobile Service Office will provide free counseling and claim filing assistance to veterans from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. today at Golden Corral, Walmart Boulevard. Call John Baxley at (803) 647-2422.

A back-to-school bash, sponsored by Save the Children and the Summerton Literacy Council, will be held 10 a.m.-noon on Saturday, Aug. 25, at Clarendon One Resource Center gym, 1154 Fourth St., Summerton. Call (803) 485-2043.

The Bishopville / Manning / Shaw Air Force Base Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc. will hold an interest meeting for all male college graduates interested in joining the fraternity at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 25, at Amazing Grace Baptist Church, 7 Providence St. Call James Munford at (803) 795-2903 or Demetrius Vaughn at (803) 968-4276.

The Sumter Branch NAACP will meet at 5 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 26, at Union Station AME Church, 945 S. Main St. Jasmine Brown will speak on "Preserving heirs property."

VFW Post 10813 will hold its 4th Sundays Wine & Cheese Affair from 5 to 9 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 26, at 610 Manning Ave. Come out and support the veterans and families programs.

McLeod Hospice will offer a

"Hospice Volunteering 101" class from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursday, Aug. 30, in the Volunteer Services Office of McLeod Health Clarendon, 10 Hospital St., Manning. This volunteer training program is for those interested in helping hospice patients and / or assisting hospice support staff in Clarendon and Sumter counties. Attendees must register in advance to participate in the training. Call (803) 435-5287.

The Lincoln High School Preservation Alumni Association (LH-SPAA) will hold an all white casual attire dance from 8 p.m. to midnight on Friday, Aug. 31, at 26 Council St. D.J. Al will provide music. Tickets are \$15 each. Call the alumni office 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Mondays or Wednesdays at (803) 775-0444.

The Lincoln High School Preservation Alumni Association (LH-SPAA) will hold its first Hall of Fame celebration at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 8, at the Historical Lincoln Center, 22 Council St. The 2018 inductees are: Dr. Leroy Bowman — 1940; Rep. James Clyburn — 1953-1956; Maggie Ellison — 1956; John H. Kilgo — 1947-1966; Freddie Solomon — 1972; Dr. Junior Earl Vaughn — 1950; and Dr. Agnes Hildebrand-Wilson — 1951-1973. Tickets are \$35 each and are on sale at the Council Street office 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays.

The Sumter Chapter of the National Federation of the Blind of South Carolina will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 11, at Shiloh-Randolph Manor, 125 W. Bartlette St. It's time to reserve your tables for the Dec. 11 gala. Contact Debra Canty at (803) 775-5792 or debra.canty@frontier.com.

The Sumter Combat Veterans Group will hold its annual golf tournament on Saturday, Sept. 15, at Crystal Lakes Golf Course, 1305 Clara Louise Kellogg Drive. There will be a 9 a.m. shotgun start. Registration fee is \$50 per golfer limited to the first 40 teams. Fee includes continental breakfast, lunch, souvenirs, cart, green fees and refreshments during play. Team format will be two-person Captain's Choice. There will be first- and second-place prizes for men's and women's teams, closest to the pin and longest drive. Raffle tickets for a La-Z-Boy recliner will be \$2 each or three for \$5. Call Rich Grimsley at (803) 469-6227, Earnest Roland at (803) 840-0935 or Johnny Goodley at (803) 236-0488 or email at vnam6970@yahoo.com.

WEATHER

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AccuWeather® five-day forecast for Sumter

TODAY	TONIGHT	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
					
Sunshine and not as hot	A moonlit sky	Mostly sunny and pleasant	Rather cloudy	Mostly sunny and beautiful	Mostly sunny
85°	63°	85° / 65°	89° / 68°	89° / 70°	91° / 71°
Chance of rain: 0%	Chance of rain: 0%	Chance of rain: 0%	Chance of rain: 10%	Chance of rain: 15%	Chance of rain: 15%
NE 7-14 mph	NE 4-8 mph	ENE 6-12 mph	NE 6-12 mph	NE 3-6 mph	SSW 3-6 mph

TODAY'S SOUTH CAROLINA WEATHER

Temperatures shown on map are today's highs and tonight's lows.

IN THE MOUNTAINS

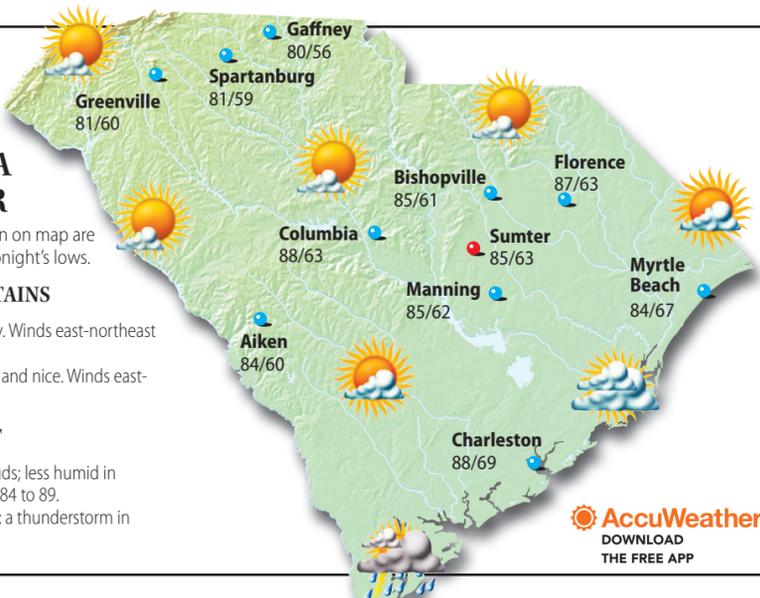
Today: Mostly sunny. Winds east-northeast 6-12 mph.

Friday: Partly sunny and nice. Winds east-northeast 4-8 mph.

ON THE COAST

Today: Sun and clouds; less humid in northern parts. High 84 to 89.

Friday: Partly sunny; a thunderstorm in spots. High 82 to 86.



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SUMTER THROUGH 2 P.M. YESTERDAY

Temperature	High	Low	Normal high	Normal low	Record high	Record low
	89°	75°	88°	68°	105° in 1983	56° in 1992

Precipitation	24 hrs ending 2 p.m. yest.	Month to date	Normal month to date	Year to date	Last year to date	Normal year to date
	0.00"	4.85"	3.77"	26.76"	27.53"	32.11"

LAKE LEVELS

Lake	Full pool	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Murray	360	357.34	none
Marion	76.8	75.47	-0.01
Moultrie	75.5	75.28	+0.03
Wateree	100	96.69	-0.15

RIVER STAGES

River	Flood stage	7 a.m. yest.	24-hr chg
Black River	12	7.01	+0.34
Congaree River	19	3.53	-0.16
Lynches River	14	1.99	-0.17
Saluda River	14	3.43	-0.01
Up. Santee River	80	77.11	+0.08
Wateree River	24	12.89	+0.41

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise	6:49 a.m.	Sunset	7:59 p.m.
Moonrise	6:28 p.m.	Moonset	4:08 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
			
Aug. 26	Sep. 2	Sep. 9	Sep. 16

TIDES

AT MYRTLE BEACH				
	High	Ht.	Low	Ht.
Today	7:29 a.m.	2.8	2:20 a.m.	0.6
	8:12 p.m.	3.3	2:21 p.m.	0.5
Fri.	8:15 a.m.	2.8	3:04 a.m.	0.5
	8:54 p.m.	3.3	3:04 p.m.	0.4

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Fri.
Atlanta	84/65/s	84/65/pc
Chicago	81/64/s	71/68/t
Dallas	98/79/s	100/78/s
Detroit	81/61/s	79/67/pc
Houston	97/77/s	96/77/s
Los Angeles	82/68/pc	82/67/pc
New Orleans	91/75/pc	91/75/s
New York	78/64/s	82/66/s
Orlando	92/75/t	89/75/t
Philadelphia	79/62/s	83/64/s
Phoenix	101/81/pc	102/83/c
San Francisco	70/55/pc	68/53/pc
Wash., DC	81/64/s	85/66/s

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Fri.	City	Today	Fri.
Asheville	78/56/pc	77/56/pc	Florence	87/63/s	87/65/s
Athens	84/60/s	84/62/pc	Gainesville	93/74/pc	89/74/t
Augusta	87/63/pc	88/66/pc	Gastonia	81/58/s	82/60/s
Beaufort	89/69/t	86/71/pc	Goldboro	82/60/pc	83/64/s
Cape Hatteras	82/72/pc	83/76/s	Goose Creek	86/68/t	85/70/pc
Charleston	88/69/t	86/71/pc	Greensboro	78/59/s	80/62/s
Charlotte	82/59/s	83/62/s	Greenville	81/60/s	81/62/pc
Clemson	82/62/s	82/62/pc	Hickory	79/58/s	79/59/s
Columbia	88/63/s	87/66/s	Hilton Head	86/72/c	83/74/pc
Darlington	85/61/s	85/63/s	Jacksonville, FL	92/72/pc	87/72/t
Elizabeth City	83/64/pc	84/68/s	La Grange	86/67/s	85/68/t
Elizabethtown	83/61/pc	84/63/s	Macon	88/66/s	88/68/t
Fayetteville	83/60/s	84/64/s	Marietta	82/63/pc	83/63/pc
			Marion	79/55/s	77/57/pc
			Mt. Pleasant	86/71/pc	84/73/pc
			Myrtle Beach	84/67/pc	84/71/s
			Orangeburg	85/64/pc	85/66/s
			Port Royal	87/72/t	84/73/pc
			Raleigh	82/58/s	83/62/s
			Rock Hill	82/57/s	83/61/s
			Rockingham	83/58/s	84/62/s
			Savannah	89/69/t	86/70/t
			Spartanburg	81/59/s	81/60/s
			Summerville	85/66/pc	85/69/pc
			Wilmington	86/65/pc	85/69/s
			Winston-Salem	79/58/s	79/61/s

PUBLIC AGENDA

SUMTER COUNTY DEVELOPMENT BOARD
Today, 7:45 a.m., 10 E. Liberty St.

PINEWOOD DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Friday, 9 a.m., Santee-Lynches Council of Governments building, 2525 Corporate Way, Suite 200

The last word in astrology

EUGENIA LAST

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You can make a difference if you're clever

about the way you help others. While assisting someone in need, one of your peers or a relative will make it possible to find a solution. Initiating patience will be an asset.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Don't give up when a couple of critical changes can get you back in the game. Strive for perfection, and be open to suggestions. Don't be afraid to step into the spotlight and get things done. Say less, do more.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Take note what others are doing, but don't share too much about your plans. If you're too revealing, someone will take advantage of you. Focus on home, family and projects you can work on with loved ones.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Emotional stress will lead to ill health. Ease stress by getting involved in something that brings you joy. A relationship with someone unusual is best handled with care. A misunderstanding will get blown out of proportion.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Excessive behavior will cause worry. Whether it's you who is overreacting or someone close to you, it's better to step back and rethink the best way to handle a situation that can alter your living standard if handled improperly.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): A change will do you good. Get out and meet new people, take a course or pick up skills that will help you change direction. Getting together with friends or family will lead to information that will encourage you to make a move.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Keep the peace, regardless of what others do or how they react. Use charm and diplomacy to keep things moving forward. Stabilize your situation before you introduce changes you want to make. Protect against theft, loss and emotional manipulation.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Take pride in what you do. Look out for close friends and relatives. A change will strengthen important relationships. Be willing to try something new as well as compromise. Don't share secrets or personal information with colleagues.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Change will take place if you let emotions take over. Keep your opinions to yourself, and avoid getting involved with people who tend to be pushy or excessive. Don't share personal information with peers.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Be a leader and bring about change. How you handle your money, health and legal matters will result in a better future. Home improvements will help cut monthly costs. Buying and selling are favored. Negotiate on your own behalf.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Share your thoughts and be willing to listen to suggestions. Setting a budget will help you avoid getting talked into spending more than you can afford. Don't let a relationship lead to expenses you don't want to incur.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Emotions will be difficult to control when dealing with people you are helping or working alongside. Look for opportunities that allow you to secure your position and be rewarded for your input and ability. Make changes that count.

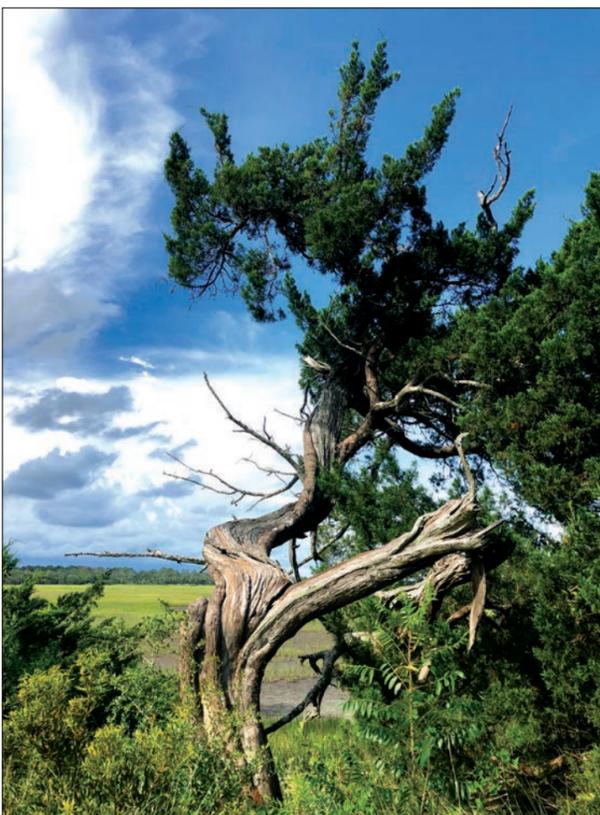
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Terry S. Newman comments on her photo submission, "Taken while on vacation at Edisto Beach. I thought the weathered tree against the summer afternoon sky was just beautiful."

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PREP FOOTBALL



All's well that ends well

TREVOR BAUKNIGHT / THE SUMTER ITEM

Lakewood quarterback Malik Richardson (1) looks for running room during the Gators' victory over Lee Central in the Sumter County Football Jamboree earlier this month. Richardson rushed for 201 yards and three touchdowns in the Gators' 33-19 victory over Colleton County on Saturday. Lakewood will travel to Lake City on Friday.

Lakewood hopes for similar results, just not as much drama against Lake City on Friday

BY DANNY KELLY
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All's well that ends well, so the saying goes, but Lakewood High School head football coach Larry Cornelius hopes Friday's road game against Lake City goes nothing like the season

opener last week against Colleton County. "I'm hoping the temperatures are lower and there's no lightning (on Friday)," said Cornelius, whose team needed two days and two different sites to open with a 33-19 victory over the Cougars due to bad weather.

er. The Gators rallied from an early 14-0 deficit to defeat Colleton County 33-19. The game started on Friday -- one whole play -- at the Cougars' home field in Walterboro because a bad storm caused the game to be suspended and left the

field unplayable. Thus, the contest was moved to Sumter High's Sumter Memorial Stadium on Saturday. Along with the weather postponement on Friday, the Gators also had to endure a 1-hour lightning delay on Saturday as well. After opening the season

against a fellow 4A school, Lakewood is now preparing for a 3A foe in Lake City. Lake City is coming off a tough 26-6 loss to Wilson in a game that was called with 5:23 remaining in the fourth quarter due to lightning.

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PREP FOOTBALL



TREVOR BAUKNIGHT / THE SUMTER ITEM

Manning quarterback Jack Owens threw for two touchdowns and ran for another in the Monarchs' 28-0 victory over Scott's Branch last week. Manning will travel to Florence today to take on Wilson.

Monarchs head to Wilson ready to play full game

BY DANNY KELLY
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Manning head football coach Keith West was pleased with his team's performance against Scott's Branch on Friday; he just wishes the game would have lasted a little bit longer.

The 3A Monarchs took down the 1A Eagles 28-0 in a game that was called after a severe thunderstorm hit Sum-

merton late in the first half. "I would've liked to have played the whole game, but a short game prevented injuries," West said. "We threw the ball well." West hopes his team's performance against the 1A Eagles will carry over to today when the 3A Monarchs travel to Florence to face Wilson High at 7:30 p.m.

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PREP FOOTBALL

Barons set to host Heathwood Hall

BY TREVOR BAUKNIGHT
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The Wilson Hall varsity football team kicks off its 2018 campaign on Friday when the Barons entertain SCISA 3A conference opponent Heathwood Hall. Game time is set for 7:30 p.m. at Spencer Field.

The Barons will be looking to improve on last year's 5-6 record and are counting on a large number of underclassmen to grow up quickly, particularly up front in the trenches, according to head coach Adam Jarecki, who enters his fourth season at the helm. Jarecki said his team is ready.

"It's time. We've been practicing a long time - July 26, that's a long time - and the guys are ready to start doing it for real," he said. "I know they're ready to go.



SUMTER ITEM FILE PHOTO

Wilson Hall's Mitchell Matthews (46) forces a fumble during the Barons' 21-0 victory over Heathwood Hall last year. Matthews and his teammates open their season on Friday against Heathwood Hall at Spencer Field.

It's been the kind of thing where you get tired of practicing and going after each other every day, and now

it's time to match up and go against other people."

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL '18

AP predicts Tide, Tigers, Huskies and Wolverines

BY RALPH D. RUSSO
The Associated Press

The College Football Playoff has yet to produce a real surprise team.

In four seasons, nine schools have reached the semifinals — and even the teams that came from outside the AP pre-season Top 25 were traditional powers.

The lowest-ranked team in the pre-season media poll to make the CFP was Oklahoma in 2015. The Sooners were 19th to start the season, mostly because they were coming off a disappointing season (8-5) and few knew how good Baker Mayfield would be.

Clemson made the playoff that same year after starting the season ranked No. 12. The Tigers went 10-3 the season before, but Deshaun Watson was a sophomore coming off a knee injury, there was major turnover on defense and exactly what Dabo Swinney



SWINNEY

was building at Clemson had not yet been fully revealed.

Washington was No. 14 going into the 2016 season before going on a playoff run. The Huskies were also coming off mediocre season (7-6), but there was definitely a sense Chris Petersen's team was

ready to take a significant step forward in year two of his tenure. Turns out it was even bigger than expected.

Last year, Georgia went from No. 15 to the CFP. The Bulldogs were 8-5 the season before, Kirby Smart's first in Athens. The Bulldogs had an experienced team in '17 that was favored to win the SEC East, and ended up being the second-best team in the country.

SEE **TIGERS**, PAGE B3

SPORTS ITEMS

Swanson's 2 home runs, 4 RBI pace Braves past Pirates 6-1

PITTSBURGH — Dansby Swanson had two home runs and drove in four runs, while Kevin Gausman breezed through eight innings to lead Atlanta past Pittsburgh 6-1 on Tuesday.

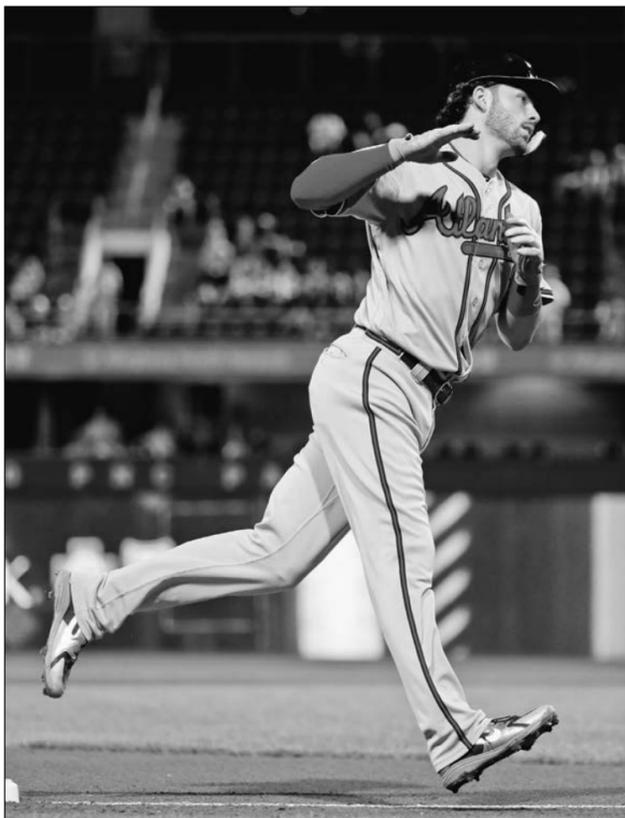
Swanson's first homer gave the Braves a 2-0 lead in the fifth before he sent another two-run shot into nearly the same spot in the left field bleachers, extending the lead to 5-0 in the seventh. Kurt Suzuki doubled down the left-field line, scoring Ozzie Albies from first for the third run. Tyler Flowers scored on a wild pitch in the ninth to make it 6-0.

Gausman (8-9) gave up four hits with five strikeouts and two walks, helping the NL East-leading Braves take the first two games of the 3-game series.

**ASTROS 10
MARINERS 7**

SEATTLE — Martin Maldonado and Tyler White each homered and had three hits, helping the Houston Astros beat the Seattle Mariners 10-7 on Wednesday night.

Maldonado had three RBIs and White had two. The Astros led 9-1 before the Mariners got one back in the fifth and added five more in the sixth.



THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Atlanta's Dansby Swanson rounds the bases after hitting a home run in the Braves' 6-1 victory over Pittsburgh on Tuesday in Pittsburgh.

**RANGERS 4
ASTROS 2**

OAKLAND, Calif. — Mike Minor pitched six scoreless

innings of one-hit ball to win his fourth straight, Joey Gallo hit his 33rd home run and the Texas Rangers snapped out of

their offensive slump to avoid a three-game sweep, beating the Oakland Athletics 4-2 on Wednesday.

**WHITE SOX 7
TWINS 3**

CHICAGO — Adam Engel broke a tie with a two-run homer in a five-run fifth, Carlos Rodon continued his torrid stretch with six strong innings and the Chicago White Sox beat the Minnesota Twins 7-3 on Wednesday.

**BLUE JAYS 6
ORIOLES 0**

TORONTO — Kendrys Morales homered for the fourth consecutive game, Thomas Pannone and two relievers combined on a two-hitter and the Blue Jays beat Baltimore 6-0 on Wednesday, completing a 10-game season sweep of the Orioles in Toronto.

P-15'S SEASON-ENDING BANQUET TODAY

Sumter American Legion Post 15 will hold its season-ending baseball banquet today at the American Legion facilities located on Artillery Drive.

The banquet is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. It is open to the public, and the cost for a ticket is \$10 per person.

For more information, call (803) 968-5115.

MIDDLE SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL JAMBOREE TUESDAY

The Sumter Middle School Volleyball Jamboree will be held on Tuesday at the Bates Middle School gymnasium beginning at 5 p.m.

There will be four scrimmages with the game being played to 20 points or the 25-minute time limit. Furman will meet Ebenezer at 5, followed by Hillcrest and Bates at 5:30, Chestnut Oaks and R.E. Davis at 6, and Alice Drive and Bates at 6:30.

MIDDLE SCHOOL SCRIMMAGES SATURDAY

A middle school football scrimmage jamboree will be held Saturday, Aug. 25, at Donald L. Crolley Memorial Stadium in Dalzell beginning at 9 a.m.

There will be two scrimmages going on simultaneously on the playing field. Each team will receive 12 plays and a sustained drive in the 30-minute scrimmages.

There will be 12 schools involved, including local schools Alice Drive, Bates, Chestnut Oaks, Ebenezer, Furman, Hillcrest, R.E. Davis and Scott's Branch. Each team will have three scrimmages, and there will be 18 scrimmages in all. Tickets are \$5 per person.

From staff and wire reports

SCOREBOARD

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TODAY
5 a.m. — Professional Golf: European PGA Tour Czech Masters First Round from Prague (GOLF).
9 a.m. — Professional Golf: European PGA Tour Czech Masters First Round from Prague (GOLF).
10:30 a.m. — LPGA Golf: CP Women's Open First Round from Regina, Saskatchewan (GOLF).
11 a.m. — Youth Baseball: Little League World Series Consolation Game from Williamsport, Pa. — Barcelona vs. Coeur d'Alene, Idaho (ESPN).
11 a.m. — Professional Tennis: U.S. Open Men's and Women's Qualifying Matches from Flushing, N.Y. (TENNIS).
1 p.m. — Major League Baseball: San Francisco at New York Mets or Chicago White Sox at Detroit (MLB NETWORK).
2:30 p.m. — PGA Golf: The Northern Trust First Round from Ridgewood, N.J. (GOLF).
3 p.m. — Youth Baseball: Little League World Series Elimination Game from Williamsport, Pa. — Guayama, Puerto Rico, or Surrey, British Columbia, vs. Seoul or Kawaguchi, Japan (ESPN).
4 p.m. — Horse Racing: New York Turf Writers Cup and Riskaverse Stakes from Saratoga Springs, N.Y. (FOX SPORTS 2).
4 p.m. — Major League Baseball: San Diego at Colorado (Joined In Progress) (MLB NETWORK).
4 p.m. — Professional Tennis: U.S. Open Men's and Women's Qualifying Matches from Flushing, N.Y. (TENNIS).
6 p.m. — Professional Golf: Web.com Tour Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship First Round from Columbus, Ohio (GOLF).
6:05 p.m. — Talk Show: Sports Talk (WDXY-FM 105.9, WDXY-AM 1240).
6:30 p.m. — WNBA Basketball: Playoffs Second Round Single-Elimination Game — Los Angeles at Washington (ESPN2).
7 p.m. — Youth Baseball: Little League World Series Elimination Game from Williamsport, Pa. — Grosse Point Woods, Mich., or Peachtree City, Ga., vs. Staten Island, N.Y., or Honolulu (ESPN).
7 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Atlanta at Miami (FOX SPORTS SOUTHEAST, WFFN-FM 100.1, WUPUB-FM 102.7).
7 p.m. — Women's College Soccer: Clemson at South Carolina (SEC NETWORK).
8 p.m. — NFL Preseason Football: Philadelphia at Cleveland (WACH 57).
8 p.m. — Major League Baseball: Cincinnati at Chicago Cubs or Oakland at Minnesota (MLB NETWORK).
8:30 p.m. — WNBA Basketball: Playoffs Second Round Single-Elimination Game — Phoenix at Connecticut (ESPN2).
4:55 a.m. — Formula One Racing: Belgian Grand Prix Practice from Spa-Francorchamps, Belgium (ESPN2).
5 a.m. — Professional Golf: European PGA Tour Czech Masters Second Round from Prague (GOLF).

Varsity Girls Tennis
 Laurence Manning at Hammond, 4:30 p.m.
 Thomas Sumter at Trinity-Byrnes, 4 p.m.
Junior Varsity Tennis
 Cardinal Newman at Wilson Hall, 4 p.m.
Varsity Volleyball
 Central at Lee Central, 5 p.m.
 Lake City at Crestwood, 7 p.m.
Varsity and JV Volleyball
 Sumter, A.C. Flora at Westwood, 5 p.m.
 Wilson Hall at Cardinal Newman, 4:15 p.m.
 Hammond at Laurence Manning, 4:15 p.m.
FRIDAY
Varsity Football
 Crestwood at Sumter, 7:30 p.m.
 Lakewood at Lake City, 7:30 p.m.
 Lee Central at C.E. Murray, 7:30 p.m.
 Scott's Branch at East Clarendon, 7:30 p.m.
 Heathwood Hall at Wilson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
 Augusta Christian at Laurence Manning, 7:30 p.m.
 Pee Dee at Robert E. Lee, 7:30 p.m.
 Thomas Sumter at Spartanburg Christian, 7:30 p.m.
 Clarendon Hall at Beaufort Academy, 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY
Varsity Cross Country
 Sumter in Skyhawk Invitational (at Hammond in Columbia), 8 a.m.
 Wilson Hall at Camden, TBA
Varsity Swimming
 Wilson Hall, Thomas Sumter in Newberry Invitational

MLB STANDINGS

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	88	39	.693	—
New York	79	46	.632	8
Tampa Bay	65	61	.516	22½
Toronto	58	69	.457	30
Baltimore	37	90	.291	51

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	73	52	.584	—
Minnesota	60	66	.476	13½
Detroit	52	74	.413	21½
Chicago	48	78	.381	25½
Kansas City	38	88	.302	35½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	77	50	.606	—
Oakland	76	51	.598	1
Seattle	72	56	.563	5½
Los Angeles	63	64	.496	14
Texas	57	72	.442	21

TUESDAY
 Toronto 8, Baltimore 2
 Cleveland 6, Boston 3
 Detroit 2, Chicago Cubs 1
 N.Y. Yankees 2, Miami 1, 12 innings
 Tampa Bay 4, Kansas City 1
 Minnesota 5, Chicago White Sox 2
 Arizona 5, L.A. Angels 4
 Oakland 6, Texas 0
 Houston 3, Seattle 2
WEDNESDAY
 Toronto 6, Baltimore 0
 Chicago White Sox 7, Minnesota 3

Texas 4, Oakland 2
 Houston 10, Seattle 7
 Chicago White Sox (Shields 5-14) at Detroit (Boyd 7-11), 1:10 p.m.
 Kansas City at Tampa Bay, 7:10 p.m.
 N.Y. Yankees at Miami, 7:10 p.m.
 L.A. Angels at Arizona, 9:40 p.m.

TODAY
 Cleveland (Plutko 4-3) at Boston (Price 13-6), 1:05 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Toronto, 7:07 p.m.
 Boston at Tampa Bay, 7:10 p.m.
 Chicago White Sox at Detroit, 7:10 p.m.
 Oakland at Minnesota, 8:10 p.m.
 Cleveland at Kansas City, 8:15 p.m.
 Seattle at Arizona, 9:40 p.m.
 Houston at L.A. Angels, 10:07 p.m.
 Texas at San Francisco, 10:15 p.m.

FRIDAY
 N.Y. Yankees at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Toronto, 7:07 p.m.
 Boston at Tampa Bay, 7:10 p.m.
 Chicago White Sox at Detroit, 7:10 p.m.
 Oakland at Minnesota, 8:10 p.m.
 Cleveland at Kansas City, 8:15 p.m.
 Seattle at Arizona, 9:40 p.m.
 Houston at L.A. Angels, 10:07 p.m.
 Texas at San Francisco, 10:15 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	70	55	.560	—
Philadelphia	68	57	.544	2
Washington	63	63	.500	7½
New York	55	70	.440	15
Miami	50	77	.394	21

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	71	53	.573	—
St. Louis	70	57	.551	2½
Milwaukee	71	58	.550	2½
Pittsburgh	63	64	.496	9½
Cincinnati	56	71	.441	16½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	70	56	.556	—
Colorado	68	57	.544	1½
Los Angeles	67	60	.528	3½
San Francisco	62	65	.488	8½
San Diego	50	78	.391	21

TUESDAY
 Atlanta 6, Pittsburgh 1
 Washington 10, Philadelphia 4
 Detroit 2, Chicago Cubs 1
 N.Y. Mets 6, San Francisco 3
 N.Y. Yankees 2, Miami 1, 12 innings
 Cincinnati 9, Milwaukee 7
 San Diego 4, Colorado 3
 Arizona 5, L.A. Angels 4
 St. Louis 5, L.A. Dodgers 2

WEDNESDAY
 Milwaukee 4, Cincinnati 0
 Atlanta at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Washington, 7:05 p.m.
 Chicago Cubs at Detroit, 7:10 p.m.
 N.Y. Yankees at Miami, 7:10 p.m.
 San Francisco at N.Y. Mets, 7:10 p.m.
 San Diego at Colorado, 8:40 p.m.
 L.A. Angels at Arizona, 9:40 p.m.
 St. Louis at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.

TODAY
 Philadelphia (Nola 14-3) at Washington (Scherzer 16-5), 1:05 p.m.
 San Francisco (Bumgarner 4-5) at N.Y. Mets (deGrom

8-7), 1:10 p.m.
 San Diego (Lucchesi 6-7) at Colorado (Freeland 11-7), 3:10 p.m.
 Atlanta (Newcomb 10-6) at Miami (Straily 4-6), 7:10 p.m.
 Cincinnati (DeSclafani 6-3) at Chicago Cubs (Hamels 8-9), 8:05 p.m.

FRIDAY
 Cincinnati at Chicago Cubs, 2:20 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Toronto, 7:07 p.m.
 Atlanta at Miami, 7:10 p.m.
 Washington at N.Y. Mets, 7:10 p.m.
 Pittsburgh at Milwaukee, 8:10 p.m.
 St. Louis at Colorado, 8:40 p.m.
 Seattle at Arizona, 9:40 p.m.
 San Diego at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.
 Texas at San Francisco, 10:15 p.m.

LITTLE LEAGUE WORLD SERIES

At South Williamsport, Pa.
UNITED STATES
 NEW ENGLAND, Coventry (R.I.); MID-ATLANTIC, Staten Island (N.Y.); SOUTHEAST, Peachtree City, Ga.; GREAT LAKES, Grosse Pointe Woods (Mich.); MIDWEST, Des Moines (Iowa); SOUTHWEST, Houston; NORTHWEST, Coeur d'Alene (Idaho); WEST, Honolulu
INTERNATIONAL
 ASIA/PACIFIC, Seoul (South Korea); AUSTRALIA, Gold Coast; CANADA, Surrey (British Columbia); CARIBBEAN, Guayama (Puerto Rico); EUROPE/AFRICA, Barcelona (Spain); JAPAN, Kawaguchi; LATIN AMERICA, Arraijan (Panama); MEXICO, Matamoros
DOUBLE ELIMINATION
 Monday, Aug. 20
 Coventry (R.I.) 15, Gold Coast (Australia) 0, 4 innings
 Guayama (Puerto Rico) 3, Arraijan (Panama) 1, Arraijan eliminated
 Grosse Pointe Woods (Mich.) 5, Des Moines (Iowa) 4, Des Moines eliminated
 Surrey (British Columbia) 6, Matamoros (Mexico) 4, Matamoros eliminated
 Peachtree City (Ga.) 7, Houston 6, 9 innings, Houston eliminated
 Tuesday, Aug. 21
 Barcelona (Spain) vs. Coeur d'Alene (Idaho), p.p.d., weather
 Guayama (Puerto Rico) vs. Surrey (British Columbia), p.p.d., weather
 Grosse Pointe Woods (Mich.) vs. Peachtree City (Ga.), p.p.d., weather
 Wednesday, Aug. 22
 Guayama (Puerto Rico) 9, Surrey (British Columbia) 4, Surrey eliminated
 Peachtree City (Ga.) 4, Grosse Pointe Woods (Mich.) 3, Grosse Pointe eliminated
 Game 23: Seoul (South Korea) vs. Kawaguchi (Japan), 7:30 p.m.
 Game 24: Staten Island (N.Y.) vs. Honolulu, 7:30 p.m.
 Thursday, Aug. 23
 Game B: Barcelona (Spain) vs. Coeur d'Alene (Idaho), TBA
 Game 25: Guayama (Puerto Rico) vs. Game 23 loser, 3 p.m.
 Game 26: Peachtree City (Ga.) vs. Game 24 loser, 7 p.m.
 Saturday, Aug. 25
 International Championship
 Game 27: Game 23 winner vs. Game 25 winner, 12:30 p.m.
 United States Championship
 Game 28: Game 24 winner vs. Game 26 winner, 3:30 p.m.
 Sunday, Aug. 26
 At Lamade Stadium
 Third Place
 Game 29: Loser Game 27 vs. Loser Game 28, 10 a.m.
 World Championship
 Game 30: Winner Game 27 vs. Winner Game 28: 3 p.m.

TIGERS FROM PAGE B1

So what does this small sample tell us? If you want to pick a playoff dark horse, look for a brand-name team ranked somewhere in the teens of the preseason poll. Maybe one with a talented quarterback who still has some uncertainty attached to him.

And with that, predictions for the 2018 college football season:

TOP 25

Three teams in the AP preseason poll that will not finish the season ranked: No. 16 TCU, No. 20 Virginia Tech, No. 25 LSU.

Three teams not in the AP preseason poll that will finish the season ranked: Boston College, Memphis, Utah.

CONFERENCE WINNERS

• American Athletic Confer-

ence: Memphis (West) over Temple (East). The last two teams to win the American lost their coaches soon after. So where's Mike Norvell going?

• Atlantic Coast Conference: Clemson (Atlantic) over Miami (Coastal). The Tigers are stacked and freshman quarterback Trevor Lawrence could give the offense an explosiveness it was missing last year.

• Big Ten: Michigan (East) over Wisconsin (West). Jim Harbaugh finally quiets his critics.

• Big 12: Oklahoma (No. 1) over West Virginia (No. 2). The Big 12 is the most likely Power Five conference to provide an unexpected champion. There is little separation among the top six or seven teams but when in doubt, pick the Sooners.

• Conference USA: Florida Atlantic (East) over Louisiana Tech (West). Lane Kiffin brings a second straight C-USA title to FAU.

• Mid-American Conference: Ohio (East) over Northern Illinois (West). Ohio wins its first MAC title since 1968.

• Mountain West: Boise State (Mountain) over San Diego State (West). Could be the Broncos best post-Chris Petersen team.

• Pac-12: Washington (North) over Utah (South). The Huskies win their second Pac-12 title in three seasons, but the opener against Auburn could determine playoff hopes.

• Southeastern Conference: Alabama (West) over Georgia (East). This time only the SEC champion makes the playoff.

• Sun Belt: Arkansas State (West) over Troy (East). Red Wolves win the first Sun Belt championship game.

HEISMAN TROPHY

The favorites are running backs Bryce Love of Stanford and Jonathan Taylor of Wisconsin, but the Heisman has become a quarterback's award. Fifteen of the last 18 winners have been QBs. Feels like a season where a not-so-obvious player makes a run. Top five vote-getters:

1. Justin Herbert, QB, Oregon
2. Jonathan Taylor, RB, Wisconsin
3. Will Grier, QB, West Virginia
4. Shea Patterson, QB, Michigan
5. A.J. Dillon, RB, Boston College

COACHING CAROUSEL

There seems to be no such thing as a slow season when it comes to coaching moves. Almost inevitably a few jobs that seemed safe in September open up by December. Florida, for example, just last

year. What job will unexpectedly open this season? How about Oklahoma, when Jerry Jones decides to hire another Sooners coach and brings Lincoln Riley to the Cowboys.

NEW YEAR'S SIX/COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF

- Cotton Bowl: Alabama (1) vs. Washington (4)
 Orange Bowl: Michigan (2) vs. Clemson (3)
 Sugar Bowl: Georgia (SEC) vs. Oklahoma (Big 12)
 Rose Bowl: Wisconsin (Big Ten) vs. Oregon (Pac-12)
 Fiesta Bowl: Boise State (Group of Five) vs. Ohio State (at-large)
 Peach Bowl: West Virginia (at-large) vs. Miami (at-large)

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Clemson and Alabama make it four straight seasons meeting in the playoff. The Tigers even the series at two and win another national title.

GATORS FROM PAGE B1

“We have to control the line of scrimmage and execute better than Saturday,” Cornelius said of what his team has to do to fare well against the Panthers. “We also have to limit big plays because Lake City has the ability to take it to the house.”

The Gators are looking to limit turnovers on offense as well.

“We had three turnovers versus Colleton,” Cornelius said. “The magic number is zero turnovers.”

Cornelius said the team has been doing well in practice, especially the offensive line.

“The offensive line is our most important asset,” Cornelius said. “If the O-line doesn’t block, then (quarterback) Malik (Richardson) doesn’t have 201 rushing yards (against Colleton County).”

To go along with those 201 rushing yards, Richardson ran for three touchdowns and threw for 55 yards. Running back Travius Epps added 90 yards on the ground on 17 carries and scored two touchdowns. He also caught an 18-yard pass.

Lake City’s offense against Wilson was led by quarterback Austin Montgomery. He completed 13 of 23 passes for for 131 yards and one touchdown. Running back Avery Harrison rushed for 84 yards and had two catches for 44 yards.

Wide receiver Stephon Rose caught the only Panthers touchdown of the game. He had three catches for a total of 22 yards.

Cornelius likes his team’s approach so far and looks to take things as they come.

“We have to take it one step at a time; we have a good, upbeat attitude,” Cornelius said. “We have to get ready for region play.”

HALL FROM PAGE B1

In the SCISA 3A ranks, every game is a conference game, and opening with a league opponent makes it all the more important for the Barons to be prepared.

“We’ve got to be as sharp as possible,” Jarecki said. “We’re going to be doing the special teams live, and a lot of things mean something now. We’ve just go to make sure we don’t make a lot of mistakes and that we play hard.”

Jarecki said he has been pleased with the progress his young team made during preseason scrimmages against Florence Christian and Thomas Heyward Academy.

“In our first scrimmage, we were sort of having to feel our way through it,” Jarecki said. “We gave everybody a lot of reps and gave everybody a chance, and tried a lot of different things. A week later, we feel like we were much improved, and that we had kind of settled into what it was we were going to do. We

just kind of worked that group out a little bit, and gave them reps, and we looked better in the second scrimmage, looked like we knew what to do. So we had some improvement between the two scrimmages.”

The Barons will be looking for leadership in the trenches, and it will fall to Grey Holler, the only starter returning on the lines, to provide it.

“We only returned one up front, Grey Holler, who is one of our very best,” said Jarecki. “That’s going to be the big question mark with us. In the backfield, our skill players are young, but we feel like they have some good experience. We just don’t have a lot of depth.”

Fortunately for the Barons, it appears depth may also be an issue with the Highlanders, who suffered a 21-7 loss to Robert E. Lee in their opener last weekend after leading 7-0 at halftime.

“They’re kind of in the same boat we are in terms of numbers,” Jarecki said. “But they’re big; a lot of

PREP FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

TODAY
Manning at Wilson, 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY
Varsity Football
Crestwood at Sumter, 7:30 p.m.
Lakewood at Lake City, 7:30 p.m.
Lee Central at C.E. Murray, 7:30 p.m.
Scott’s Branch at East Clarendon, 7:30 p.m.
Heathwood Hall at Wilson Hall, 7:30 p.m.
Augusta Christian at Laurence Manning, 7:30 p.m.
Pee Dee at Robert E. Lee, 7:30 p.m.
Thomas Sumter at Spartanburg Christian, 7:30 p.m.
Clarendon Hall at Beaufort Academy, 7:30 p.m.

size up front and a big running back. They’ve got some really good athletes in spots, it’s just a matter of who’s going to be in the best shape and who’s going to be ready to play four quarters.

“That affected them a lot last week,” he said. “The guys just couldn’t keep going, and they had guys falling out left and right. But I’ve got to worry about us. We’ll have a lot of guys playing both ways, and we’ve got to be able to stick it out for four quarters too.”

“Wilson is a good team; they’re fast, well-coached, and they have depth,” West said. “We’re playing more kids both ways (since we’re 3A), so we have our work cut out for us.”

Wilson quarterback Zayshaun Rice threw for 94 yards and a touchdown and ran for 53 yards and two touchdowns against Lake City.

Running back/wide receiver Yavin Smith had 81 total yards and a touchdown, while running back Anthony Eustache added 56 yards on the ground.

MANNING FROM PAGE B1

Manning’s top wide receiver, Aaron Smith, did not play in any of the team’s scrimmages due to a wrist injury, so West was happy he was finally able to play against Scott’s Branch. Smith caught two touchdowns in the contest.

West was also happy to have first-time wide receiver, sophomore Corey Graham, play. Graham played quarterback for the junior varsity team last year. He finished

with two catches for 80 yards.

Quarterback Jack Owens threw two touchdowns while passing for 140 yards, while running for a touchdown as well. Running back Darias Williams ran for a touchdown and had a 40-yard reception.

West thinks the Monarchs will have their hands full against Wilson. The Tigers are coming off a 26-6 victory on the road against Lake City last Friday.

OBITUARIES

WILSON L. AMERSON

Wilson L. Amerson, 90, widower of Jenelle L. Baker Amerson, died on Tuesday, Aug. 21, 2018, at Palmetto Health Tuomey.

Born on March 1, 1928, in Mayesville, he was a son of the late Roy Joseph and Vermelle Player Amerson. He was a member of Northside Memorial Baptist Church. Mr. Amerson retired from the U.S. Army after more than 28 years of service. He was a veteran of World War II, the Korean War and Vietnam. After serving his country, he returned home, where he was a farmer and businessman. He was also a Shriner.

He leaves to cherish his memory: five children, Wilson L. “Kirk” Amerson Jr. (Becky), Roy Joseph Amerson (Pansy), Sherry Amerson-Jackson (Thomas), Pamela Amerson-DuBose (Glenn) and Hiram Michael Amerson; 11 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; one sister, Bea Bonderer; and one brother-in-law, Charles Webb.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Eunice Webb and Betty Amerson.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday in the Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Mark Barnette and the Rev. Jim Johnson officiating. Burial with full military honors will be at Evergreen Memorial Park cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Michael Moseley, Wilson DuBose, Matthew Amerson, Ryan Amerson, Dale DuBose and Lisa Moseley.

Honorary pallbearers will be Bud Watford, Carrol Barnette, Jay Davis, Dale Atkinson, Gary Atkinson and Louis Jackson.

The family will receive friends from 10 to 11 a.m. on Saturday at Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home and other times at the home, 725 W. Emerald Lake Drive.

The family would like to express a special thanks to her doctors and caregivers.

Memorials may be made to the Shriners Hospital for Children-Greenville, 950 W. Faris Road, Greenville, SC 29605.

Elmore-Cannon-Stephens Funeral Home and Crematorium of Sumter is in charge of the arrangements, www.escfuneralhome.com.

GENERAL MACEO JOHNSON

SUMMERTON — General Maceo Johnson, 80, husband of Celestine Felder Johnson, died on Tuesday, Aug. 21, 2018, at his residence.

He was born on Jan. 20,

1938, in Summerton, a son of the late Sinclair Johnson and Jannie Simmons Johnson.

The family is receiving friends at his residence, 6293 Bill Davis Road, Summerton.

These services have been entrusted to Samuels Funeral Home LLC of Manning.

LOUELLA S. HOLLIDAY

Louella Sweatte Holliday, widow of William Holliday, was born on Aug. 20, 1938, in Sumter County, to the late Calvin and Pheobe Lou Walters Sweatte. She departed this life on Friday, Aug. 17, 2018, in the privacy of her home.

Louella was educated in the public schools of Sumter County. She was a graduate of Lincoln High School and S.C. State College. She received her master’s degree from Indiana University. She was a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. Louella was honored for being the first female bus driver in South Carolina and never missing a day from school or work. Louella was employed with Wicomico County Schools System, where she taught at Wicomico Senior and Junior High School and Salisbury High School. Louella played in a softball league and coached field hockey and softball at Wicomico High School. She also managed Acme Grocery Store, before retiring and moving back to South Carolina to care for her parents. Louella was a stockholder with Sumter Funeral Service Inc.

Louella was a member of St. James AME Zion Church in Salisbury, where she sang with the senior adult choir. After moving back to South Carolina, she reunited with her family church, Rock Hill Missionary Baptist Church, where she was a faithful member until her untimely demise.

Loving and precious memories will be cherished by her loving and devoted daughter, Dr. Carolyn D. Holliday of the home; her baby, Prince Holliday; her granddaughter, Princess Holliday; sisters-in-law, Cecelia Jones, Alice Hill and Mary Davis, all of New York; five aunts, Gussie Ragin, Lucille Walters, Olla Mae Walters, Mary Lee Walters and Mary Walters; two uncles, the Rev. M.G. Walters and Esau Walter; and a host of cousins, other relatives and dear friends who are deeply grieved by her passing.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her spouse; five aunts, Elma, Edna, Janie, Lillie Mae and Inez; and five uncles, Nichodemus, P.W., James Lewis, Joshua and Sammie Lee.

Graveside services for Mrs. Holliday will be held at 2 p.m. on Friday at Fort Jackson National Cemetery, Columbia.

The funeral procession will leave at 12:30 p.m. from the home.

The family is receiving friends at the residence, 1157 Marlborough Drive.

Sumter Funeral Service Inc. is in charge of the arrangements.

PANSY M. GUINS

ALCOLU — Pansy Marie Matthews Guins was born on Sept. 26, 1929, and lived a full and happy life and went to be with her heavenly father on Aug. 21, 2018.

Arrangements will be announced by Bullock Funeral Home.



SAMMIE LEE WASHINGTON SR.

Brother Sammie Lee “Boot” Washington Sr. was born on Dec. 25, 1943, in Sumter County, a son of the late Buster Wilson and Ann Bell Washington. He was reared by his grandmother, the late Sylvia “Lumpie” Washington. He departed this life on Monday, Aug. 20, 2018, at Palmetto Health Tuomey, after a brief illness.

Brother Washington was united in holy matrimony to the late Sister Martha Mae Washington. He is the father of six children. Brother Washington attended the public schools of Sumter County. He was a devoted lifetime member of St. Mark United Methodist Church, where he was baptized. He faithfully served his church in many capacities, including a leader of the gospel choir, senior choir, past chairman of the United Meth-

odist Men and a member of the trustee board. He served with joy and enthusiasm. Brother Washington was a longtime trustee of the Mayesville Community Cemetery Association. Brother Washington was a man of dignity, who was always willing to lend a helping hand. We will miss his smile and presence.

He leaves to cherish his precious memories: six sons, Sammie (Edna) Washington Jr. of Mayesville, Alfred (Minister Jeanie) Washington of Radcliff, Kentucky, Marcus (Tina) Washington of Columbia, Randy (Barbara) Washington, Bryon Rhames and Elijah Toney, all of Sumter; two sisters, Sylvia (Jeffrey) Scrivens of Baltimore and Annie Mae Benjamin of Sumter; four sisters-in-law, Paulette (David) Lemon, Victoria Jacobs, Sandra Rhames and Mary Ann Rhames, all of Sumter; two brothers-in-law, Clarence Rhames III of Sumter and Floyd (Charlene) Rhames of Columbus, Georgia; one brother in Christ, Bobby Muldrow; 22 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Public viewing will be held from 2 to 6 p.m. today at Job’s Mortuary.

Mr. Washington will be placed in the church at 10 a.m. on Friday for viewing until the hour of service.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday at St. Mark United Methodist Church, 129 N. Main St. East, Mayesville, with Pastor Franklin Garrett officiating. Interment will follow at Mayesville Community Cemetery.

The family will receive friends at the home, 4175 Third St., Mayesville.

Job’s Mortuary Inc., 312 S. Main St., Sumter, is in charge of arrangements.

Online memorials may be

sent to the family at jobsmortuary@sc.rr.com or visit us on the web at www.jobsmortuary.net.

LARRY SMITH

Larry Smith, age 69, beloved husband of Janice Smith, died on Wednesday, Aug. 22, 2018, at his residence.

Arrangements will be announced by Bullock Funeral Home.



JAMES MACK

BISHOPVILLE — James Mack entered eternal rest on Aug. 21, 2018, at McLeod Regional Medical Center, Florence.

The family is receiving friends and relatives at the residence, 131 Red Belly Lane, Bishopville.

Funeral arrangements are incomplete and will be announced by Wilson Funeral Home, 403 S. Main St., Bishopville.

BARBARA JEAN M. JOHNSON

COLUMBIA — On Tuesday, Aug. 21, 2018, Barbara Jean Martin Johnson, widow of Clarence Thomas Johnson, heard her master’s call at Palmetto Health Richland.

Born on May 15, 1940, in Columbia, she was a daughter of the late Major and Colen Martin Johnson.

The family is receiving relatives and friends from 1 to 8 p.m. at the residence of her daughter and son-in-law, Cheryl and Steppnay Blackwell, 1550 Brogdon Road, Alcolu.

Funeral services are incomplete and will be announced by Fleming & DeLaine Funeral Home and Chapel.

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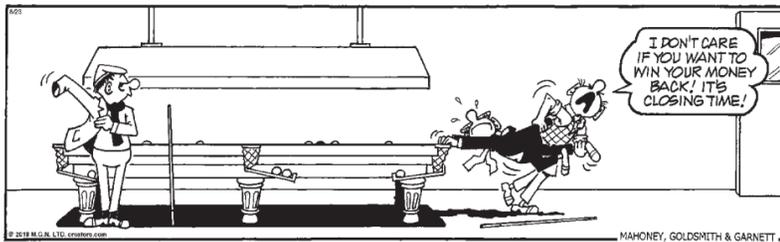
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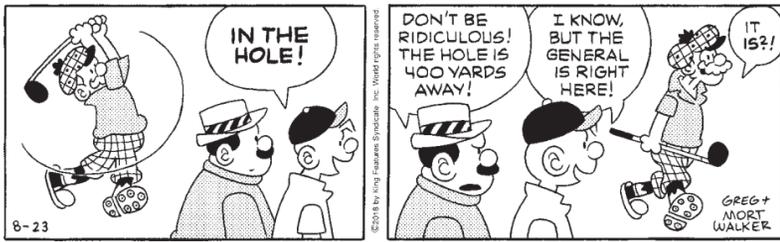
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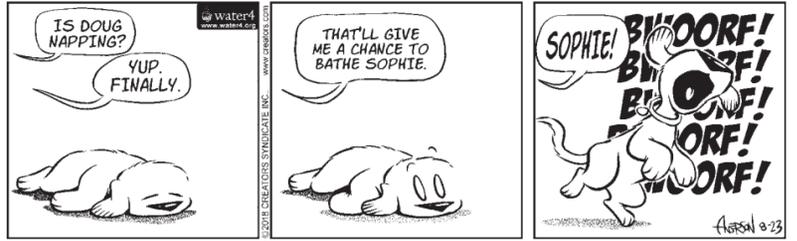
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MOTHER GOOSE



DOG EAT DOUG



DILBERT



JEFF MACNELLY'S SHOE



Guests at mountain getaway are less than gracious



Dear Abby
ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

DEAR ABBY — Years ago, I bought a beautiful little cottage in the North Carolina mountains as a second home. I feel very lucky to be able to afford such a luxury and have always been generous, sharing it with family and friends. However, it has reached the point where people constantly ask to use it.

Abby, my guests have left holes in cushions, bubble gum on couches and someone's child even peed in the bed.

Only once in 10 years was I left with a thank-you note and

a gift card to a local store. Most of the time I find a bottle of cheap wine. (I don't drink.)

How can I stop this? I'm being taken advantage of. I know I'm partly at fault for being so generous. This cottage was bought for me, my children and grandchildren to enjoy.

Too generous

DEAR TOO GENEROUS — People can be taken advantage of only if they allow it. You need to learn to say no. And when (not if) you are asked why you no longer allow friends and family to use the cottage in your absence, tell the individuals exactly what you have told me about your reasons.

DEAR ABBY — My question has to do with a present I bought

for a friend's birthday. It was a gift certificate for a spa. Unfortunately, when she went to use it, the doors were locked and the place had shut down. I was very upset and embarrassed. Should I have replaced it even though I didn't have the money?

Upset and embarrassed

DEAR UPSET — You bought the gift certificate in good faith. It wasn't your fault that the spa went out of business, and you shouldn't feel guilty.

I do not think people should spend money they don't have, and you shouldn't feel obligated to do so. Explore any possible recourse for getting reimbursement for the gift certificate. If you paid for it with a credit card, your provider may credit you back the money.

JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

TMUBH

ZUGEA

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(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: LAUGH NUTTY COLONY FRENZY
Answer: The King hated his chair and wanted it to be — "THRONED" OUT

SUDOKU

HOW TO PLAY:
Each row, column and set of 3-by-3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 through 9 without repetition.

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

5	3	7	6	4	2	9	8	1
4	9	1	7	8	3	5	2	6
6	2	8	5	1	9	3	4	7
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DIFFICULTY RATING: ★★★★★

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THE DAILY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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Roger and Kathy Wienberg 8/23/18

ACROSS

- 1 Message therapists' workplaces
- 5 "Fiddlesticks!"
- 10 Used room service
- 15 Largest city on Hawaii's largest island
- 16 Terminus target
- 17 Piquant
- 18 Takes on a new responsibility, as of leadership
- 21 Indigenous New Zealanders
- 22 Kind of artery
- 23 Key in a PC reboot combo
- 24 Evenly matched
- 26 Mosquito repellent
- 28 "Guys and Dolls" showstopper
- 34 Sporty '60s Pontiac
- 35 ___ out a win
- 36 Biopic about Charles
- 37 "So that's it"
- 38 Threw a fit
- 40 Capital of Oman
- 42 Muscle
- 43 Superficially highbrow
- 44 To and
- 45 "So that's it!"
- 47 Orchestrated

DOWN

- 11 Yellow bill in classic Monopoly
- 12 Event that may feature family heirlooms
- 13 "___ turn up"
- 14 Dmitry's denial
- 19 Roamed (around)
- 20 At a frenetic pace
- 25 Saw-toothed range
- 27 Kuwaiti ruler
- 28 Big name in games
- 29 Animal behavior specialist
- 30 New ___ MLB baseball cap supplier
- 31 Deli choice
- 32 Staircase pillar
- 33 Work the bar
- 34 Five-time US Open champ
- 39 Checks out
- 41 Org. with a five-ring logo
- 42 Stringed instruments
- 44 Swing wildly
- 46 Airport parking facilities
- 49 Piano trio
- 50 Protective coating
- 51 Sampled
- 54 "Get real!"
- 55 ___ pool
- 57 Thickening agent
- 58 Rock and Roll Hall of Fame songwriter
- 60 Stable stud
- 61 Clickable image
- 62 "Hey, you!"
- 64 Abe Lincoln's youngest son
- 65 Dundee denial

Previous Puzzle Solved

A	T	M	S	C	L	I	P	M	A	F	I	A
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SP	FT	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30	12 AM
LOCAL CHANNELS												
WIS	10	3	10	WIS News 10 at 7 (N)	Entertainment Tonight (N)	Ellen's Game of Games "Just Keep Spinning" You Bet Your Wife; Dizzy Dash.	Trial & Error Team unearths game-changing evidence.	Trial & Error Jesse Ray Beaumont's trial begins.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Guardian" A man claims his sister was gang raped. (DVS)	WIS News 10 at 11 (N)	(:34) The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon Pierce Brosnan; Deepak Chopra; Pusha T.	
WLTX	19	9	9	News 19 at 7pm (N)	Inside Edition (N)	The Big Bang Theory "The Tenant Disassociation"	(:31) Mom Marjorie's husband has a stroke.	Big Brother Eviction; head of household competition. (N) (Live)	S.W.A.T. "Armory" The team deals with a hostage situation.	News 19 at 11pm (N)	(:35) The Late Show With Stephen Colbert John Dickerson; Michaela Watkins.	
WOLO	25	5	12	Wheel of Fortune "Tennis Week"	Jeopardy! "College Championship: Week 2"	The Gong Show "Rob Riggle; Ed Helms; Regina Hall" Rob Riggle; Ed Helms; Regina Hall. (N) (DVS)		The Story of the Royals: The history of the monarchy. (Part 2 of 2) (DVS)		ABC Columbia News at 11 (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live Mandy Moore; Elsie Fisher; Dennis Lloyd.	
WRJA	27	11	14	Great Performances perform in Toronto.	"Moody Blues: Days of Future Passed Live" The Moody Blues			Memory Rescue With Daniel Amen, MD: Ways to strengthen one's memory.		JFK -- The Last Speech: John F. Kennedy addresses students.		
WACH	57	6	6	The Big Bang Theory	2018 FOX Fall Preview	NFL Preseason Football Philadelphia Eagles at Cleveland Browns. From FirstEnergy Stadium in Cleveland. (N) (Live)				WACH FOX News at 10 (N) (Live)	Sports Zone	DailyMailTV
WKTC	63	4	22	Last Man Standing "The Fixer"	Last Man Standing Eve surprises Mike and Vanessa.	Supernatural "The Thing" Sam and Dean encounter a hungry god.	The Originals "God's Gonna Trouble the Water" Ivy reveals startling news.	Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Flipped" A rap artist is killed.		Law & Order: Criminal Intent "Smile" Dentist's murder.		The Game Tasha's relationship with Rick.
CABLE CHANNELS												
A&E	46	130		The First 48 A woman is beaten and stabbed to death.	The First 48 "Stolen Innocence" Murder of a young mother and her friend.	The First 48 Detectives investigate a double murder. (N)	(:01) Nightwatch Nation "Not Today" A drug overdose causes hallucinations.	(:05) Nightwatch Nation Massive multiple car collision.		(12:03) The First 48		
AMC	48	180		(5:00) *** "Lethal Weapon 4" (1998, Action) Mel Gibson, Danny Glover.	*** "Unforgiven" (1992, Western) Clint Eastwood, Gene Hackman, Morgan Freeman. Clint Eastwood's Oscar-winning portrait of an aged gunman.			*** "Open Range" (2003) Robert Duvall, Kevin Costner. Cattle herders battle a ruthless rancher in 1882.				
ANPL	41	100		Lone Star Law "Poachers & Liars"	Lone Star Law: Uncuffed A mountain lion could be attacking dogs. (N)		Northwest Law (N)	Lone Star Law: Uncuffed "Dogs and Big Cats"				
BET	61	162		(4:40) *** "Hustle & Flow"	(:40) "We Belong Together" (2018, Suspense) Cassidy Fralin, Ross Fleming, Draya Michele. A recovering alcoholic tries to put his life back together.		The Grand Hustle "The Hustle Never Stops" T.I. gives the hustlers a break.	The Grand Hustle "The Hustle Never Stops" T.I. gives the hustlers a break.		(12:05) Martin (Part 1 of 2)		
BRAVO	47	181		Shahs of Sunset Reza and MJ make an announcement.	Shahs of Sunset MJ rides an emotional roller coaster.	Shahs of Sunset MJ tries to maintain her stability. (N)	Shahs of Sunset MJ tries to maintain her stability.	Watch What Happens Live		** "Enough" (2002, Suspense) Jennifer Lopez, Billy Campbell.		
CNBC	35	84		Shark Tank All-natural dog treats.	Shark Tank	Shark Tank (DVS)	Jay Leno's Garage "Origins" (N)	Jay Leno's Garage "Movie Cars"		Jay Leno's Garage		
CNN	3	80		Erin Burnett OutFront (N)	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)	Cuomo Prime Time (N)	CNN Tonight With Don Lemon (N)	CNN Tonight With Don Lemon (N)		Anderson Cooper		
COM	57	136		(6:50) The Office "Junior Salesman"	(:25) The Office "Vandalism"	The Office "Couples Discount"	The Office Andy returns from his trip.	The Office Andy returns from his trip.	The Office "The Farm"	The Daily Show With Trevor Noah	(:31) The Office "The Coup"	(12:01) King of the Hill "Cotton's Plot"
DISN	18	200		Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Bunk'd	Raven's Home	Raven's Home	Bunk'd
DSC	42	103		Naked and Afraid "South American Survival" Survivalists battle sand flies. (N)			Treasure Quest: Snake Island (N)	(:01) Naked and Afraid "Jungle Love"		Naked and Afraid		
ESPN	26	35		2018 Little League World Series Elimination, Game 26: Teams TBA. (N) (Live)		Crossroads (N)		SportsCenter (N) (Live)		SportsCenter (N)		
ESPN2	27	39		(6:30) WNBA Basketball Second Round: Teams TBA. (N)	WNBA Basketball Second Round: Teams TBA. (N) (Live)		NFL Live (N)			Jalen & Jacoby	Nación ESPN (N)	
FOOD	40	109		Chopped "Cheap Eats"	Chopped "You've Been Canned"	The Great Food Truck Race (N)	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Beat Bobby Flay	Food Truck Race
FOXN	37	90		The Story With Martha MacCallum (N)	Tucker Carlson Tonight (N)	Hannity (N)	The Ingraham Angle (N)			Fox News at Night with Shannon	Tucker Carlson	
FREE	20	131		(5:30) *** "A Walk to Remember" (2002, Romance) Shane West.	** "The Notebook" (2004, Romance) Ryan Gosling, Rachel McAdams, James Garner. A man tells a story to a woman about two lovers.			The 700 Club Abused as a child.		How I Met Your Mother		
FSS	21	47		MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at Miami Marlins. From Marlins Park in Miami. (N) (Live)			Braves Live! Post.	ACC All-Access		MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at Miami Marlins.		
HALL	52	183		(6:00) "Autumn Dreams" (2015) Jill Wagner, Colin Egglesfield.	"Surprised by Love" (2015, Romance) Hilary Burton, Paul Campbell, Tim Conway. A young businesswoman starts falling for an old high-school flame.		The Golden Girls "Love, Rose?"	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls	The Golden Girls "The Actor"
HGTV	39	112		Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Rustic Rehab (N)	Flip or Flop (N)	Flip or Flop	House Family	Hunters Int'l	House Hunters	House Hunters
HIST	45	110		Mountain Men "Fight or Flight"	Mountain Men "Battle Lines"	Mountain Men (N)	Mountain Men (N)	(:03) Alone "Season 5 Reunion Special"	(:05) Mountain Men "Fight or Flight"	(:05) Mountain Men "Fight or Flight"	Mountain Men	Mountain Men
ION	13	18		Blue Bloods "Warriors" Frank helps a young Turkish woman.	Blue Bloods "Quid Pro Quo" Danny and Erin investigate a cold case.	Blue Bloods "Protest Too Much" Bank robbers disarm an off-duty cop.	Blue Bloods "No Regrets" A tragedy occurs to multiple people.	Blue Bloods "Loss of Faith" A devout young woman is murdered.		Blue Bloods	Blue Bloods	Blue Bloods "Ends and Means"
LIFE	50	145		Bring It! "Stands and Deliver" Crystianna is taken off probation.	Bring It! Coach D's routine exhausts the team. (N)	Bring It! Preparing for a routine with props. (N)	(:03) Bring It! The Dolls face off against Black Ice. (N)	(:05) Bring It! Preparing for a routine with props.		(12:01) Bring It!		
MSNBC	36	92		Hardball With Chris Matthews (N)	All In With Chris Hayes (N)	The Rachel Maddow Show (N)	The Last Word	The 11th Hour With Brian Williams (N)		Rachel Maddow		
NICK	16	210		The Loud House	SpongeBob SquarePants	SpongeBob	** "Legally Blonde" (2001) Reese Witherspoon, Luke Wilson.	Friends		Friends	(:35) Friends	(12:10) Friends
PARMT	64	153		Mom	** "Bruce Almighty" (2003) Jim Carrey.	A frustrated reporter receives divine powers from God.	American Woman	** "Bruce Almighty" (2003) Jim Carrey, Morgan Freeman.				
SYFY	58	152		(5:00) *** "Iron Man 3" (2013, Action) Robert Downey Jr. (DVS)	(7:55) *** "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1" (2010, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint, Emma Watson. Harry sets out to destroy the secrets to Voldemort's power. (DVS)			*** "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2" (2011, Fantasy) Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint. (DVS)				
TBS	24	156		Seinfeld "The Race"	Seinfeld "The Scofflaw"	Seinfeld Jerry eschews hello kisses.	Seinfeld "The Beard"	The Big Bang Theory	The Last O.G. "Repass"	Snoop Dogg: Joker's Wild	Conan Actor Joel McHale; White Denim performs. (N)	Brooklyn Nine-Nine
TCM	49	186		(6:00) *** "Colorado Territory" (1949) Joel McCrea, Virginia Mayo.	** "Flaxy Martin" (1949) Virginia Mayo. Mob lawyer framed for murder after dumping gangland girlfriend.		(:45) ** "Backfire" (1950, Mystery) Virginia Mayo, Gordon MacRae. When his friend disappears, a war veteran sets out to track him down.	** "Smart Girls Don't Talk" (1948) Virginia Mayo, Bruce Bennett.				
TLC	43	157		Say Yes to the Dress	Unexpected "Unsafe and Unplanned"	Unexpected	Unexpected	(:01) Unexpected		(12:01) Unexpected		
TNT	23	158		NCIS: New Orleans "Escape Plan" Sebastian is kidnapped at a restaurant.	** "The Hangover Part II" (2011, Comedy) Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms, Phil, Stu, Alan and Doug head to Thailand for Stu's wedding. (DVS)		** "The Hangover Part III" (2013, Comedy) Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms, Zach Galifianakis. All bets are off when the Wolfpack hits the road. (DVS)	Castle Beckett arrests Castle.				
TRUTV	38	129		Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers (N)	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers	Impractical Jokers
TV LAND	55	161		M*A*S*H	(:36) M*A*S*H	(:12) Everybody Loves Raymond	Love-Raymond	Love-Raymond	Two and Half Men	Two and Half Men	King of Queens	King of Queens
USA	25	132		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit Rape/murder of a psychiatric student.	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit A reckless mother's child disappears.	Queen of the South "La Muerte" Teresa risks her life to prove loyalty. (N)	(:01) Shooter "Orientation Day" Bob Lee and Isaac plan an ambush. (N)	(:02) The Sinner "Part IV" Ambrose confronts Vera. (DVS)		(12:02) Queen of the South		
WE	68	166		Braxton Family Values	Braxton Family Values "Toni-Zilla"	Braxton Family Values "Sister Shutdown"	Family tension rises. (N)	Braxton Family Values		Bossip on WE TV		
WGNA	8	172		Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing	Last Man Standing

Buzzfeed partners with Netflix on 'Follow This'

BY KEVIN McDONOUGH

Netflix introduces "Follow This" (TV-MA), a series of 15-minute documentaries featuring the editorial staff of BuzzFeed, a popular site where old-school journalism meets the culture of viral content by generating web traffic.

Young writers feature such topical subjects as the men's rights movement, gender fluidity, virtual reality and singular stories like one following a black woman's quest to introduce more African-Americans to off-the-grid survivalism.

In addition to "Follow This," Netflix has also launched "Explained" (TV-MA) in collaboration with the Vox news site.

"Follow This" comes in the wake of "The Fourth Estate," Showtime's recent documentary partnership with *The New York Times*. While that effort aired on Sundays, 20 segments of "Follow This" will arrive in batches between now and November.

Despite its steady growth and dominance of the streaming universe, Netflix has enjoyed less-than-good luck introducing series like "Follow This" that arrive at regular intervals, not unlike old-fashioned broadcast TV.

Its efforts to launch weekly comedy talk shows have not succeeded. Just last week, Netflix canceled weekly show-cases starring Michelle Wolf and Joel McHale, two failures that recall Netflix's unsuccessful efforts with Chelsea Handler.

Having created a new way of introducing and "bingeing" on television series, Netflix

has broken old TV-viewing habits. It's difficult to ask the same viewers who want to devour a whole season of "Orange Is the New Black" in a weekend to wait around for a week for the new episode of a documentary series or talk show.

Crackle introduces the new eight-episode comedy "Rob Riggle's Ski Master Academy," now streaming. The "Daily Show" talent plays a celebrated water-ski champion who invests his life savings in an academy of dubious value.

Not unlike Netflix's "Wet Hot American Summer" series, the humor is broad and slapstick-driven, with jokes delivered by a large cast of comedians and actors, including Tim Meadows, Dermot Mulroney, David Arquette, Jamie-Lynn Sigler, Haley Joel Osment and Samm Levine.

Riggle can also be seen tonight, along with Ed Helms and Regina Hall, on "The Gong Show" (8 p.m. ABC, TV-PG).

TONIGHT'S OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

- **Little League World Series action** (7 p.m., ESPN), live from South Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

- **The Cleveland Browns host the Philadelphia Eagles** in NFL preseason action (8 p.m., Fox).

- **"Trial & Error"** (NBC, TV-14) wraps up its second season with two episodes. New evidence arrives (9 p.m.), followed by opening arguments (9:30 p.m.).

- Heirs, spares and a "Suits" star bring a new dynamism to "The Story of the Royals" (9



GREG GAYNE FOR PARAMOUNT NETWORK
Alicia Silverstone, left, stars as Bonnie and Jennifer Bartels as Diana in the "I Will Survive" episode of "American Woman," airing at 10 p.m. today on Paramount.

p.m., ABC, TV-14), concluding tonight.

- **"Koko — The Gorilla Who Talks"** (9 p.m., PBS, TV-G, check local listings) recalls the primate "star" who mastered sign language to express genuine emotions to her teacher, Penny Patterson. Koko died on June 19, at 46.

- For the sake of the children, Bonnie mulls reconciliation on "American Woman" (10 p.m., Paramount, TV-14).

- Franklin must retrieve stolen material on "Snowfall" (10 p.m., FX, TV-MA).

CULT CHOICE

Clint Eastwood starred in, produced and directed the 1992 Western "Unforgiven" (8 p.m., AMC), co-starring Morgan Freeman and Gene Hackman. Eastwood took home Oscars for best picture and best director, while Hackman won for best supporting

not prevail on "S.W.A.T." (10 p.m., CBS, r, TV-14) * Fin investigates rape allegations on "Law & Order: SVU" (10 p.m., NBC, r, TV-14).

LATE NIGHT

"The Daily Show With Trevor Noah" (11 p.m., Comedy Central) looks at the president's history of exaggerating his personal wealth * Joel McHale, Giancarlo Esposito and White Denim appear on "Conan" (11 p.m., TBS) * John Dickerson and Michaela Watkins are booked on "The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (11:35 p.m., CBS, r) * Jimmy Fallon welcomes Pierce Brosnan, Deepak Chopra and Pusha T on "The Tonight Show" (11:35 p.m., NBC, r) * Mandy Moore, Elsie Fisher and Dennis Lloyd appear on "Jimmy Kimmel Live" (11:35 p.m., ABC, r) * Ewan McGregor, Ann Dowd and Taylor Gordon visit "Late Night With Seth Meyers" (12:35 a.m., NBC, r) * Dominic Cooper, Rebecca Ferguson and Grace VanderWaal appear on "The Late Late Show With James Cordean" (12:35 a.m., CBS, r).

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2011 LT Chevrolet Impala, excellent condition, 78,000 miles, \$7995. Call 803-499-4207



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LEGAL NOTICES

Beer & Wine License

Notice Of Application
Notice is hereby given that Evelyn Foe DBA Evelyn's Place intends to apply to the South Carolina Department of Revenue for a license permit that will allow the sale and ON and OFF premises consumption of Beer, Wine and Liquor at 4710 Narrow Pave Road, Lynchburg, SC 29080. To object to the issuance of this permit / license, written protest must be postmarked no later than September 1, 2018. For a protest to be valid, it must be in writing, and should include the following information: (1) the name, address and telephone number of the person filing the protest; (2) the specific reasons why the application should be denied; (3) that the person protesting is willing to attend a hearing (if one is requested by the applicant); (4) that the person protesting resides in the same county where the proposed place of business is located or within five miles of the business; and (5) the name of the applicant and the address of the premises to be licensed. Protests must be mailed to: S.C. Department of Revenue, ABL, P.O. Box 125, Columbia, South Carolina 29214-0907; or Faxed to: (803) 896-0110.

Notice Of Application

Notice is hereby given that Chau LLC intends to apply to the South Carolina Department of Revenue for a license permit that will allow the sale and OFF premises consumption of Beer and Wine at 706-A S. Guignard Dr. Sumter, SC 29150. Revenue for a license permit that will allow the sale and OFF premises consumption of Liquor at 706-B S. Guignard Dr. Sumter, SC 29150. To object to the issuance of this permit / license, written protest must be postmarked no later than August 25, 2018. For a protest to be valid, it must be in writing, and should include the following information: (1) the name, address and telephone number of the person filing the protest; (2) the specific reasons why the application should be denied; (3) that the person protesting is willing to attend a hearing (if one is requested by the applicant); (4) that the person protesting resides in the same county where the proposed place of business is located or within five miles of the business; and (5) the name of the applicant and the address of the premises to be licensed. Protests must be mailed to: S.C. Department of Revenue, ABL, P.O. Box 125, Columbia, South Carolina 29214-0907; or Faxed to: (803) 896-0110.

Summons & Notice

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS CIVIL ACTION NO.: 2018-CP-43-00755

SUMMONS AND NOTICES (Non-Jury) FORECLOSURE OF MORTGAGE

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF SUMTER

Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company, Plaintiff,

Jennifer Colleen Glave, Any Heirs-At-Law or Devises of Thomas C. Glave a/k/a Thomas Charles Glave a/k/a Thomas Glave, Deceased, their heirs, Personal Representatives, Administrators, Successors and Assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through them; all unknown persons with any right, title or interest in the real estate described herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as John Doe; and any unknown minors or persons under a disability being a class designated as Richard Roe, The United States of America, acting by and through its agency, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, First-Citizens Bank and Trust Company Defendant(s).

TO THE DEFENDANT(S) ABOVE NAMED: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear and defend by answering the Complaint in this action, a copy of which is hereby served upon you, and to serve a copy of your Answer on the subscribers at their offices at 1201 Main Street, Suite 1450, Columbia, SC 29201, within thirty (30) days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; except that the United States of America, if named, shall have sixty (60) days to answer after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service, and if you fail to do so, judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

TO MINORS OVER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE, AND/OR TO MINORS UNDER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND THE PERSON WITH WHOM THE MINOR RESIDES, AND/OR TO PERSONS UNDER SOME LEGAL DISABILITY:

YOU ARE FURTHER SUMMONED AND NOTIFIED to apply for the appointment of a guardian ad litem within thirty (30) days after the service of this Summons and Notice upon you. If you fail to do so, application for such appointment may be made by Attorney for Plaintiff.

YOU WILL ALSO TAKE NOTICE that Plaintiff will move for an Order of Reference or the Court may issue a general Order of Reference of this action to a Master In Equity / Special Referee, pursuant to Rule 53 of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure.

YOU WILL FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that under the provisions of S.C. Code Ann. § 29-3-100, effective June 16, 1993, any collateral assignment of rents contained in the referenced Mortgage is perfected and Attorney for Plaintiff hereby gives notice that all rents shall be payable directly to it by delivery to its undersigned attorneys from the date of default. In the alternative, Plaintiff will move before a judge of this Circuit on the 10th day after service hereof, or as soon thereafter counsel may be heard, for an Order enforcing the assignment of rents, if any, and compelling payment of all rents covered by such assignment directly to the Plaintiff, which motion is to be based upon the original Note and Mortgage and the Complaint attached hereto.

NOTICE

TO THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE NAMED: YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Summons and Complaint, of which the foregoing is a copy of the Summons, were filed with the Clerk of Court for Sumter County, South

Summons & Notice

Carolina on April 25, 2018.

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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS CIVIL ACTION NO.: 2018-CP-43-00832

SUMMONS AND NOTICES (Non-Jury) FORECLOSURE OF MORTGAGE

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF SUMTER

Nationstar Mortgage LLC dba Champion Mortgage Company, Plaintiff,

Any Heirs-At-Law or Devises of James R. Suber, Jr., Deceased, their heirs, Personal Representatives, Administrators, Successors and Assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through them; all unknown persons with any right, title or interest in the real estate described herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as John Doe; and any unknown minors or persons under a disability being a class designated as Richard Roe, The United States of America, acting by and through its agency, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, Defendant(s).

TO THE DEFENDANT(S) ABOVE NAMED: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear and defend by answering the Complaint in this action, a copy of which is hereby served upon you, and to serve a copy of your Answer on the subscribers at their offices at 1201 Main Street, Suite 1450, Columbia, SC 29201, within thirty (30) days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; except that the United States of America, if named, shall have sixty (60) days to answer after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service, and if you fail to do so, judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

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YOU WILL ALSO TAKE NOTICE that Plaintiff will move for an Order of Reference or the Court may issue a general Order of Reference of this action to a Master In Equity / Special Referee, pursuant to Rule 53 of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure.

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NOTICE

TO THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE NAMED: YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Summons and Complaint, of which the foregoing is a copy of the Summons, were filed with the Clerk of Court for Sumter County, South Carolina on May 8, 2018.

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SUMMONS AND NOTICES IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS CASE NO. 2018-CP-43-01395

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF SUMTER

Specialized Loan Servicing LLC, PLAINTIFF,

vs.

Lamont Watson, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Sheila Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Correa Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Ruffin, Deceased; Tara Anderson, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Sheila Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Correa Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Ruffin, Deceased; Any Heirs-At-Law or Devises of the Estate of Sheila Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Correa Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Ruffin, Deceased, their heirs or devisees, successors and assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through them; all unknown persons with any right, title or interest in the real estate described herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as John Doe; and any unknown minors or persons under a disability being a class designated as Richard Roe, DEFENDANT(S).

TO THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE NAMED: YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear and defend by answering the Complaint in this action, of which a copy is herewith served upon you, and to serve a copy of your Answer on the subscribers at their offices, 2712 Middleburg Drive, Suite 200, Columbia, Post Office Box 2065, Columbia, South Carolina, 29202-2065, within thirty (30) days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; except that the United States of America, if named, shall have sixty (60) days to answer after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to do so, judgment by default will be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

SUMMONS AND NOTICES IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS CASE NO. 2018-CP-43-01395

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY OF SUMTER

Specialized Loan Servicing LLC, PLAINTIFF,

vs.

Lamont Watson, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Sheila Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Correa Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Ruffin, Deceased; Tara Anderson, individually, and as Legal Heir or Devisee of the Estate of Sheila Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Correa Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Ruffin, Deceased; Any Heirs-At-Law or Devises of the Estate of Sheila Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Correa Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Ruffin, Deceased, their heirs or devisees, successors and assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through them; all unknown persons with any right, title or interest in the real estate described herein; also any persons who may be in the military service of the United States of America, being a class designated as John Doe; and any unknown minors or persons under a disability being a class designated as Richard Roe, DEFENDANT(S).

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NOTICE

TO THE DEFENDANTS ABOVE NAMED: YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Summons and Complaint, of which the foregoing is a copy of the Summons, were filed with the Clerk of Court for Sumter County, South

Summons & Notice

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foregoing Summons, the Plaintiff will move for a general Order of Reference of this cause to the Master-In-Equity or Special Referee for Sumter County, which Order shall, pursuant to Rule 53 (e) of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure, specifically provide that the said Master-In-Equity or Special Master is authorized and empowered to enter a final judgment in this cause.

TO MINOR(S) OVER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND/OR MINOR(S) UNDER FOURTEEN YEARS OF AGE AND THE PERSON WITH WHOM THE MINOR(S) RESIDES AND/OR TO PERSONS UNDER SOME LEGAL DISABILITY: YOU ARE FURTHER SUMMONED AND NOTIFIED to apply for the appointment of a Guardian Ad Litem within thirty (30) days after the service of this Summons and Notice upon you. If you fail to do so, Plaintiff will apply to have the appointment of the Guardian Ad Litem Nisi, Warren R. Herndon, Jr., made absolute.

NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANTS: YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Summons and Complaint, of which the foregoing is a copy of the Summons, were filed with the Clerk of Court for Sumter County, South Carolina on July 27, 2018.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the order appointing Warren R. Herndon, Jr., whose address is 218 E. Main Street, Suite 2, Lexington, SC 29072, as Guardian Ad Litem Nisi for all persons whomsoever herein collectively designated as Richard Roe, defendants herein whose names and addresses are unknown, including any thereof who may be minors, incapacitated, or under other legal disability, whether residents or non-residents of South Carolina, for all named Defendants, addresses unknown, who may be infants, incapacitated, or under a legal disability; for any unknown heirs-at-law of Sheila Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Correa Ruffin a/k/a Sheila Ann Ruffin, including their heirs, personal representatives, successors and assigns, and all other persons entitled to claim through them; and for all other unknown persons with any right, title, or interest in and to the real estate that is the subject of this foreclosure action, was filed in the Office of the Clerk of Court for Sumter County on the 14th day of August, 2018.

YOU WILL FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that unless the said Defendants, or someone in their behalf or in behalf of any of them, shall within thirty (30) days after service of notice of this order upon them by publication, exclusive of the day of such service, procure to be appointed for them, or any of them, a Guardian Ad Litem to represent them or any of them for the purposes of this action, the Plaintiff will apply for an order making the appointment of said Guardian Ad Litem Nisi absolute.

LIS PENDENS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an action has been commenced by the Plaintiff above named against the Defendants above named for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage given by Sheila Ruffin by Minnie Correa as Attorney in Fact to Bank of America, N.A., dated August 15, 2007, recorded August 17, 2007, in the office of the Clerk of Court/Register of Deeds for Sumter County, in Book 1090, at Page 191; thereafter, said Mortgage was assigned to Specialized Loan Servicing, LLC by assignment instrument dated March 27, 2018 and recorded March 28, 2018 in Book 1242 at Page 3936.

The description of the premises is as follows: All that certain piece, parcel and/or lot of land, together with the improvements thereon, if any, situate, lying and being in the City and County of Sumter, State of South Carolina, being shown and designated as Lot containing 0.32 acre, as shown on that certain plat prepared by Allen-Makela Land Surveyors, Inc. RLS, dated December 11, 1997, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County in Plat Book 97 at page 1485, and having such metes and bounds as are shown on said plat, this description being in lieu of metes and bounds, as permitted under Section 30-5-250 of the 1976 Code of Laws of South Carolina. This is the property known as 10 East Charlotte Avenue, Sumter, SC. Represented by Sumter County Parcel No. 228-04-03-016.

Please note that the above description has been modified to correct a minor, immaterial clerical error in the legal description to correct the surveyor reference from Allen-Makela to Allen-Makela Land Surveyors, Inc.

This being the same property conveyed to Sheila Ruffin by deed of Federal National Mortgage Association, dated August 15, 2007 and recorded August 17, 2007 in Book 1090 at Page 189 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Sumter County.

TMS No. 2280403016
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IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS SUMMONS AND NOTICE OF FILING OF COMPLAINT AND NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE INTERVENTION (NON-JURY MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE) C/A NO: 2018-CP-43-01318 DEFICIENCY REQUESTED